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Election Management

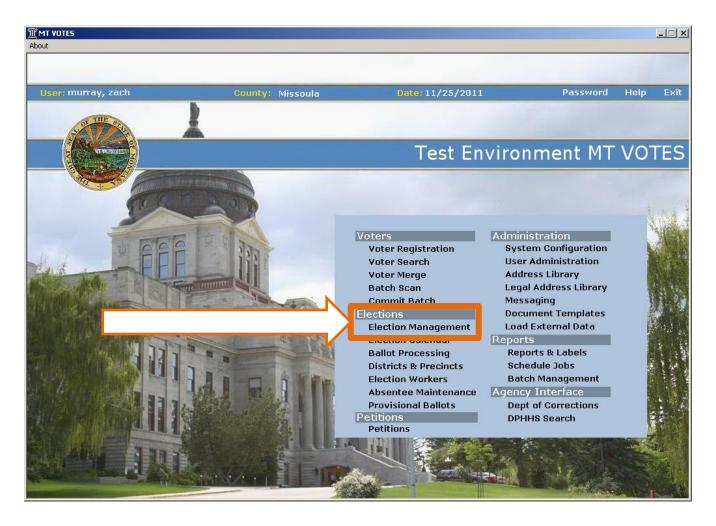
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Overview Of Topics Covered In This Training Guide

- Creating a New Election
- Adding Issues and Offices
- Generating Ballot Styles
- Printing Absentee and Mail Ballot Labels
- Ballot Processing
- Generating Official Register
- Processing Official Register
- Closing an Election

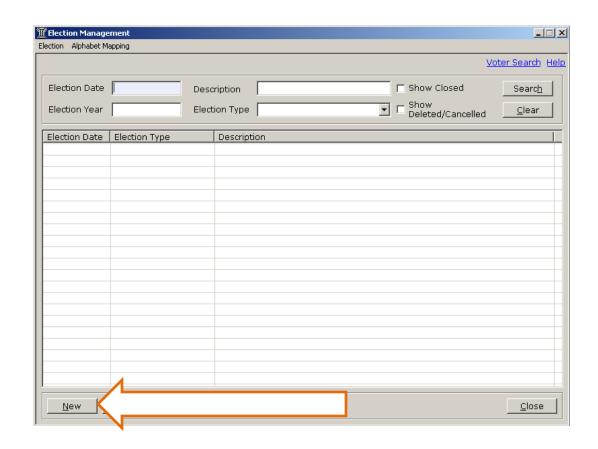
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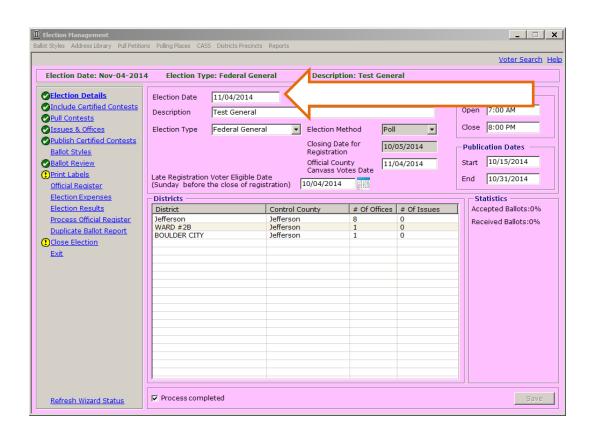
Creating a New Election

- <u>Election Management</u> is the first screen that will display.
- From this screen you can search on existing elections.
- For existing elections you can view election <u>Details</u>, <u>Delete</u> an election, or <u>Cancel</u> an election.
- Click <u>New</u> to create a new election.



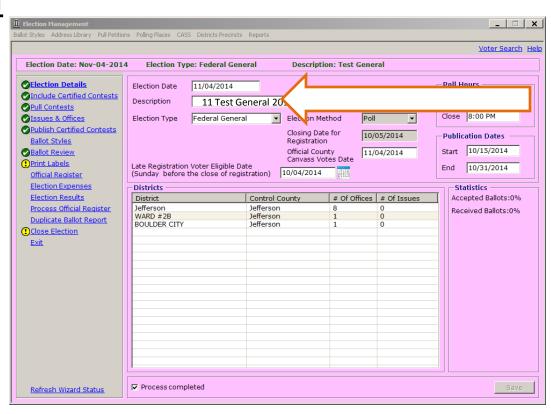
Election Date

 Enter <u>Election Date</u> in MM/DD/YYYY fashion.



Election Description

- Enter in an <u>Election</u>
 <u>Description</u> using standard election naming conventions.
 - i.e., County Code
 (same as used on
 license plates), Type of
 Election, year of
 Election

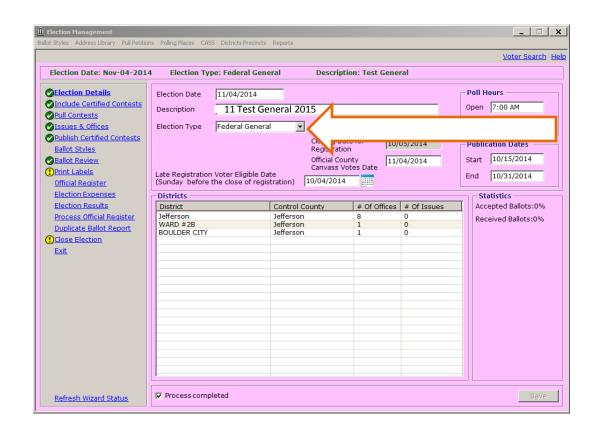


Example:

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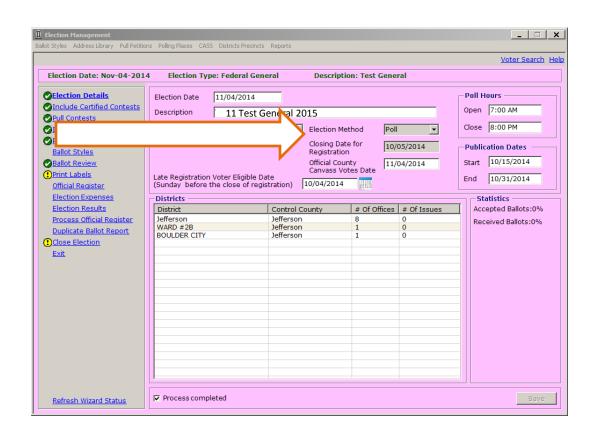
Election Type

Select an <u>Election</u>
 <u>Type</u> from the dropdown box.



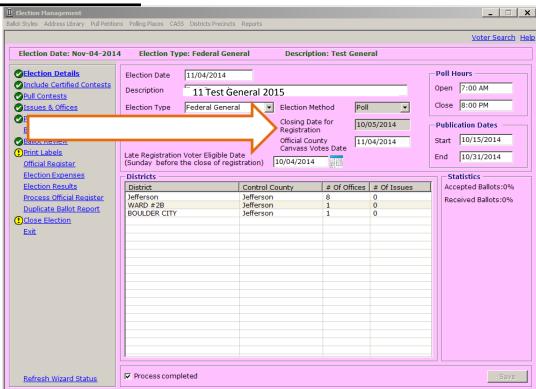
Election Method

Select an <u>Election</u>
 <u>Method</u> from the dropdown box.



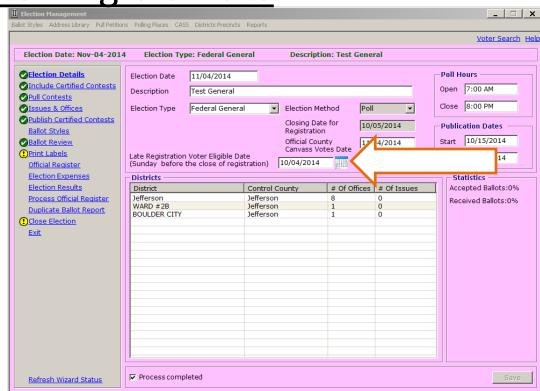
Closing Date for Registration

 Enter the <u>Closing Date</u> for <u>Registration</u> in MM/DD/YY format.



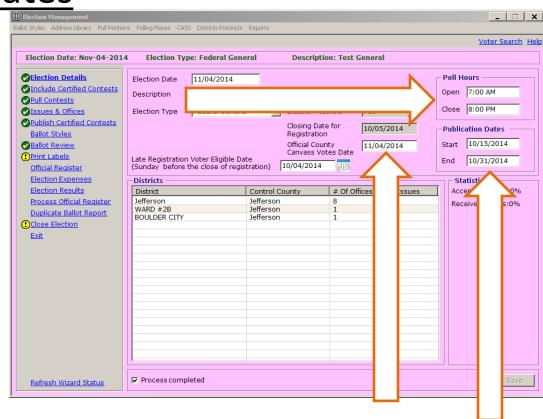
Late Registration Voter Eligible Date

Enter the Late
 Registration Voter
 Eligible Date. This
 date will always be
 the Sunday before
 the close of Regular
 Registration.



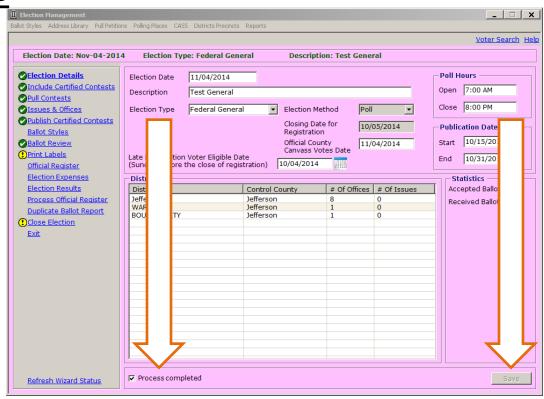
System Populated Dates

- Verify that all system populated dates are showing correctly.
- Fields to verify:
 - Official County
 Canvass Votes Date
 - Poll Hours
 - Publication dates



Save Election Details

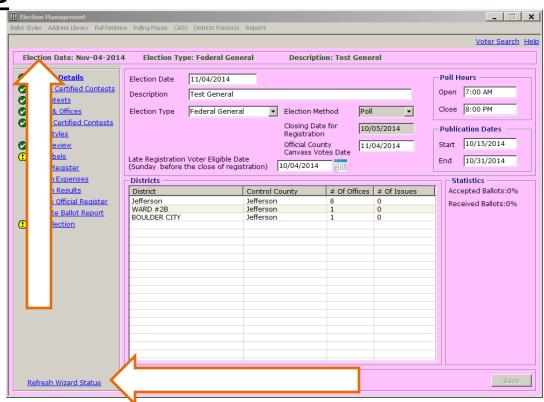
- Verify that you have entered in all of the Election Details
- Check the <u>Process</u> <u>Completed</u> box.
 - A green checkmark will display next to election detail to indicate it is completed.
- Click the **Save** button.



Save Election Details

- A message will display to confirm that the election has been saved.
- Election Details will now show at the top of the screen.
- Click

Refresh Wizard Status



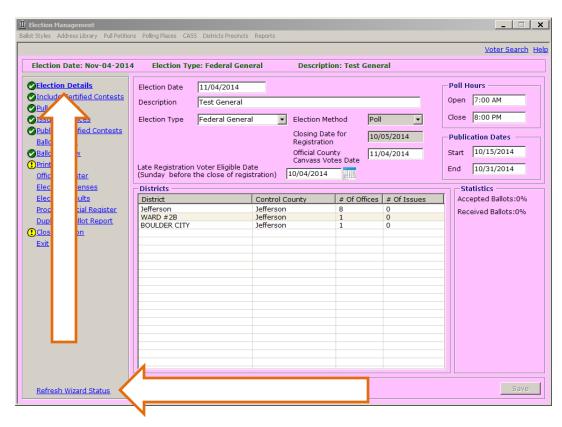
Helpful Hint-

Any time Process Completed has been checked,
 Always click Refresh Wizard Status for an updated view of what has been accomplished.

Include Certified Contests—

Overview

- The <u>Include Certified</u>
 <u>Contests</u> screen
 allows you to accept
 shared contests from
 either the State or
 other counties.
- If contests are available you can click on them and click
 Save to bring them into your election.
- Note: you will not be able to generate ballot styles until you have done this step.



- Click <u>Process Completed</u> when finished with this screen.
- Refresh Wizard Status

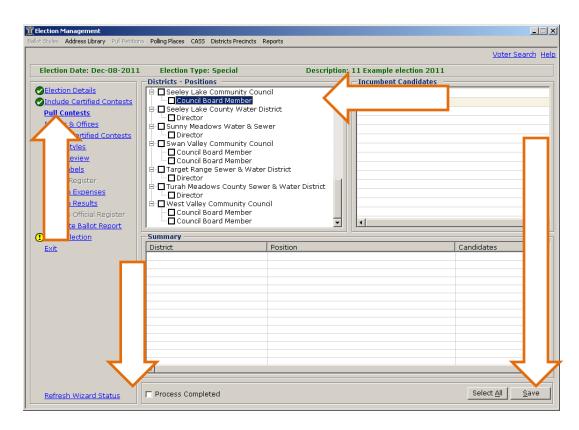
Helpful Hint- Include Certified Contests

- The State will publish (push) the statewide and state district certified contests out to Montana Votes 75 days before the Election.
- You will not want to Generate Ballot Styles before the State pushes those contests to Montana Votes.
 If you generate styles before the races are published, you will need to redo work.

Pull Contests—

Overview

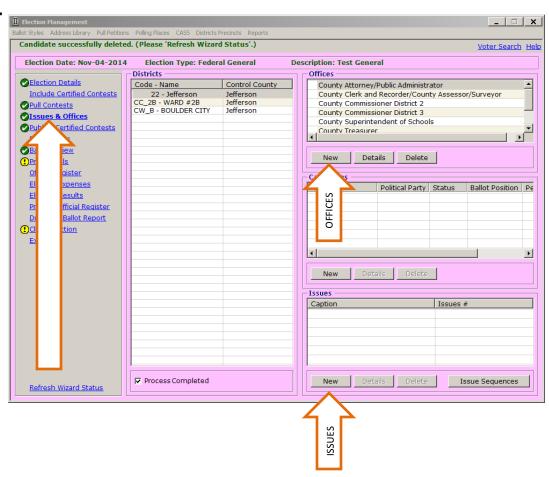
- The <u>Pull Contests</u>
 screen will display a
 list of available
 contests that have
 been set up with your
 Districts and
 Precincts.
- Check the box next to the desired Positions and click Save to pull them into your election.



- Click <u>Process Completed</u> when finished with this screen.
- Refresh Wizard Status

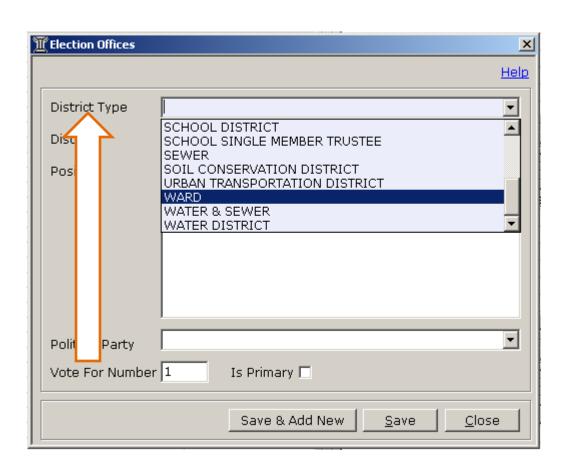
Creating New Office

- If your election includes contests or issues that were not able to be pulled into your election from earlier steps you will have to enter them manually.
- Click either a New
 Office or a New issue
 to get started.



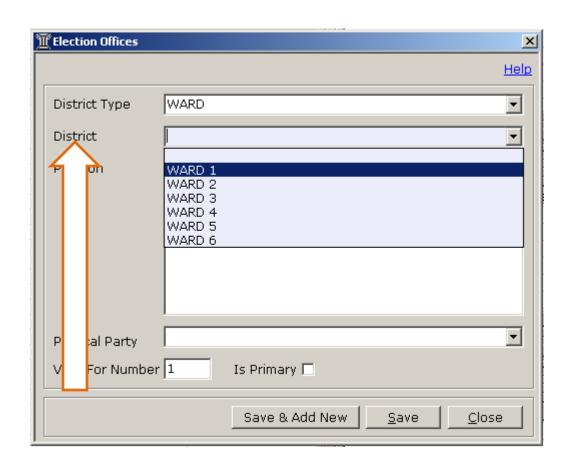
Election Offices

Select the <u>District</u>
 <u>Type</u> from the
 Dropdown box.



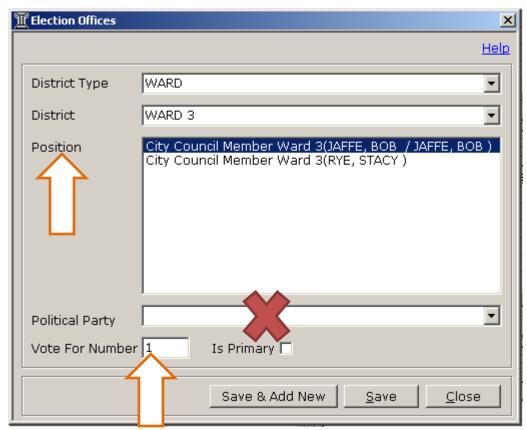
Election Offices

- Select the desired <u>District</u> from the Dropdown box.
- Verify that you have selected the correct <u>District Type</u> if the district you need is not showing.



Election Offices

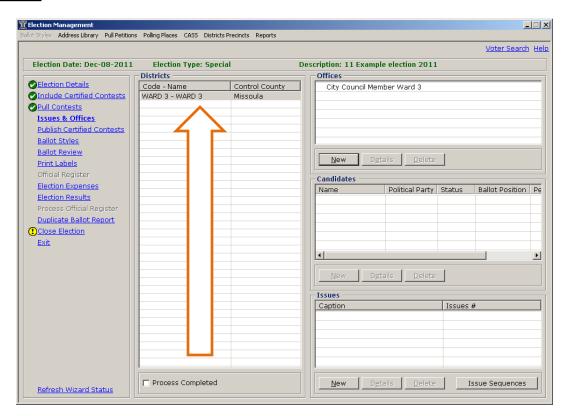
- Available Positions within the selected district will be displayed.
- Choose which position you are including in your election.
- You will likely <u>not</u> want to enter the Political party.
- Enter the Vote For Number.
- Do not use the Is
 Primary checkbox.



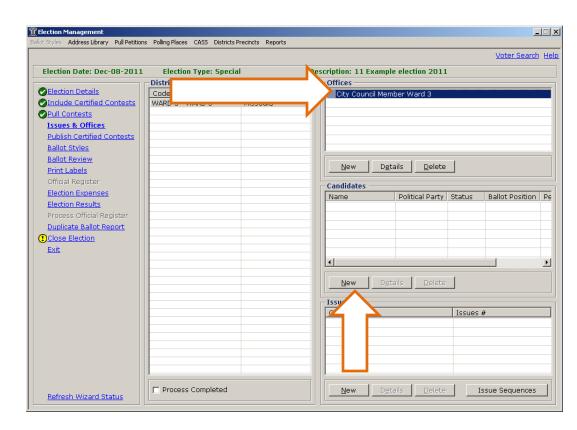
- Click Save to continue.
- Click Save & Add New to add in additional offices.

Creating New Offices

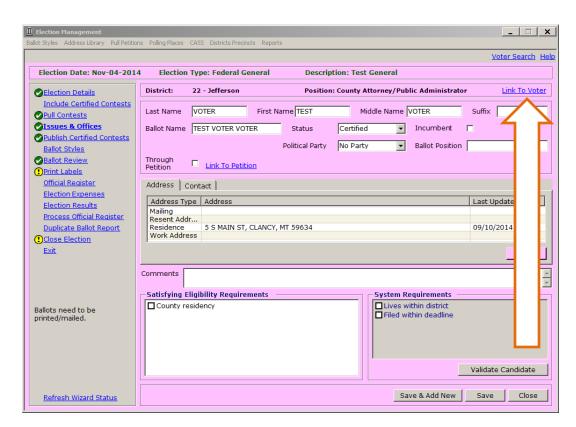
- Your new office will now display on the Issues & Offices screen.
- Repeat the previous steps to add in additional contests if needed.



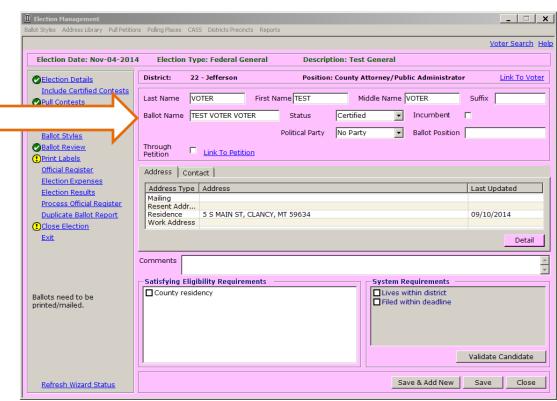
- Once your offices
 have been added, you
 can add in candidates
 as needed.
- Highlight the office you are adding a candidate to and click
 New under
 Candidates to begin.



- On the following screen enter the candidate information and click <u>Link to Voter.</u>
- The candidate's information will automatically populate if a matching voter record is found.



- Select Political Party, check if an incumbent and add contact information.
- You MUST select the political party of the candidate in order to Save.
- Ballot name now defaults to First and Last as linked from the system

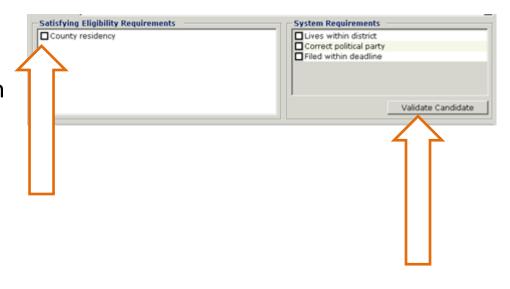


Helpful Hint- Ballot Name

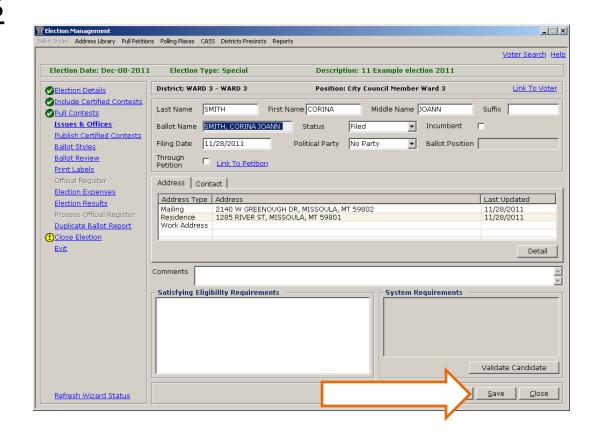
- ES&S now gets all Position/Candidate/Issue information from Montana Votes. The way the Candidates name appears on the ballot comes from the "Ballot Name" field. It automatically defaults to First, Last and Middle name.
- You must input a nickname or any other information that differs from the system name, if it will appear on the ballot.

Validating Candidates

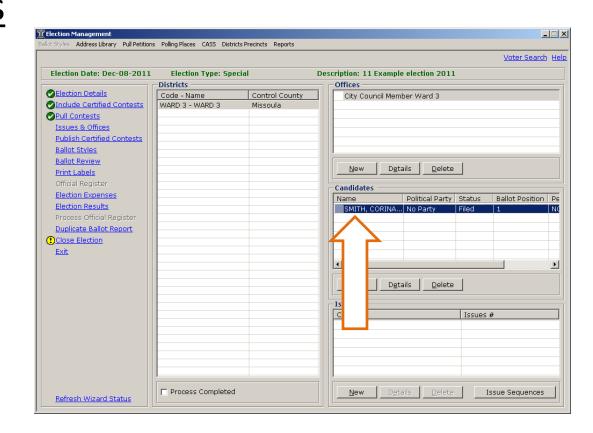
- To validate the candidate you will first need to check that they Satisfy Eligibility Requirements.
 - Eligibility Requirements can be set in the Districts and Precincts Module
- System requirements will be checked automatically if the candidate qualifies.
- Click Validate Candidate.



- Click Save to add the new candidate to your election.
- If you have multiple candidates to add click Save & New to reset the screen and add them.

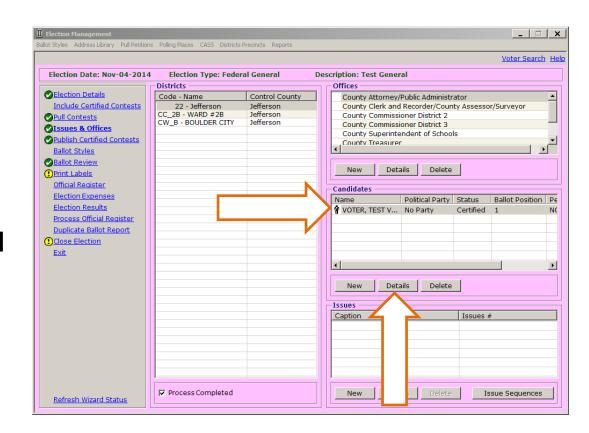


- The new candidate will now display for the selected office.
- Repeat the previous steps to add additional candidates if necessary.



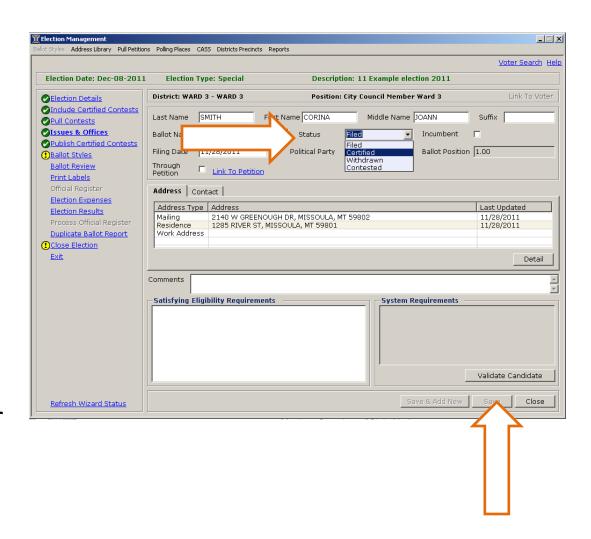
Certify Candidates

- Candidates will default to Certified status.
- To confirm this, view the candidate's detail screen.



Certify Candidates

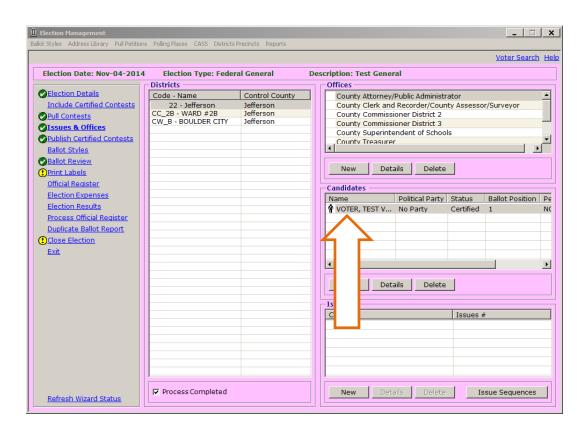
- In the <u>Status</u> field it should display certified.
- You will need to manually change the status to Certified if you bring candidates from the primary into the general, by entering primary election results rather than by having to manually enter candidates.



Certify Candidates

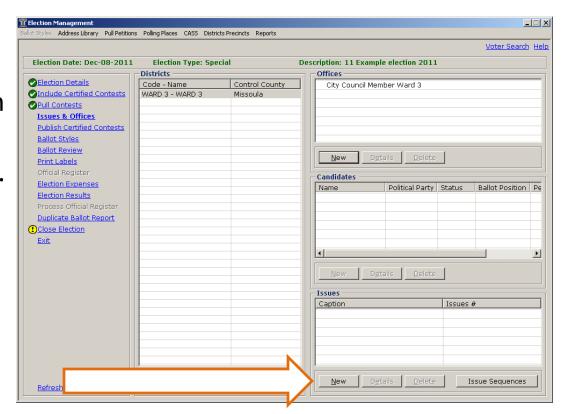
Verify all candidates are showing with the correct party and that their status is "certified". (Highlight the candidate and select "details")

Note: if a candidate is later determined by the CPP to be ineligible, or if a candidate withdraws, you must remember to go in and change **certified** to **filed, withdrawn,** or **contested** before finalizing candidates.



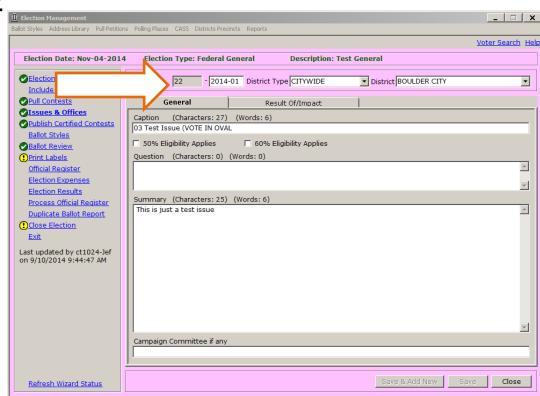
Creating New Issues

 Click the New button under Issues to add in a new local ballot issue to your election.



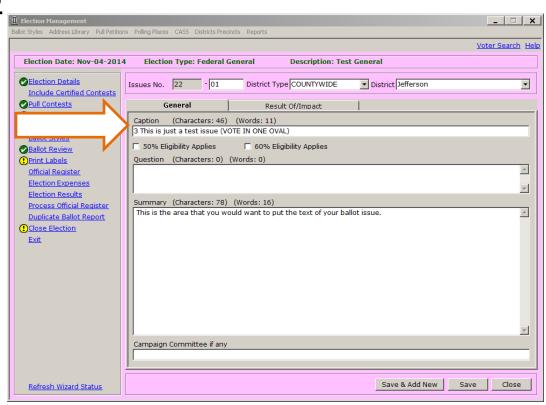
Creating New Issues

- Enter a unique Issue
 Number and select
 the District Type and
 District from the
 corresponding
 dropdown boxes.
- The name you give the **Issue No**. is left to up to the county.



Creating New Issues

• Enter a <u>Caption</u> for the issue.



Issues & Offices – Caption Field

Example

The caption field has to have the following information:

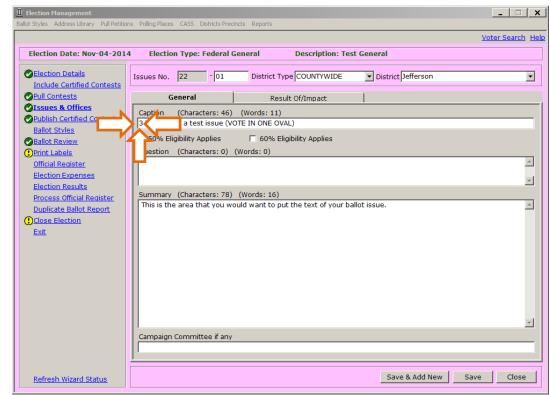
The order **number** of the ballot issue.

First #s: State Ballot issues

• **Second #s**: County Issues

• Third #s: City Issues

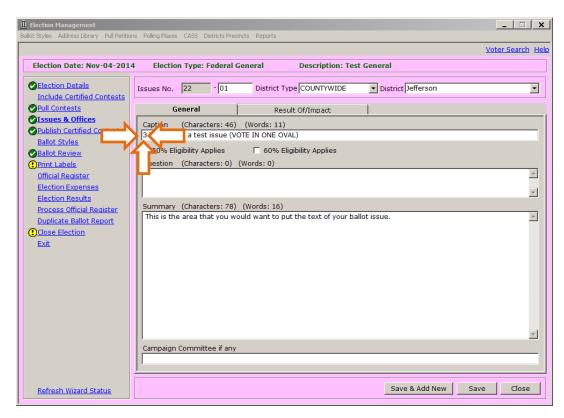
 Fourth #s: Special district issues. (Please note, if this is a county wide special district, you would likely want to put it with the county issues.)



If the state has two ballot issues, your first ballot issue will start with the number 3. If the state has zero ballot issues, your first number will be 1.

Issues & Offices – The # You Start With.

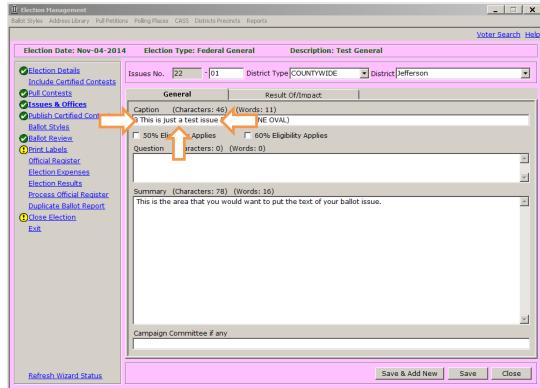
The number that you start with will likely change every election cycle.



Issues & Offices – Caption Field Example

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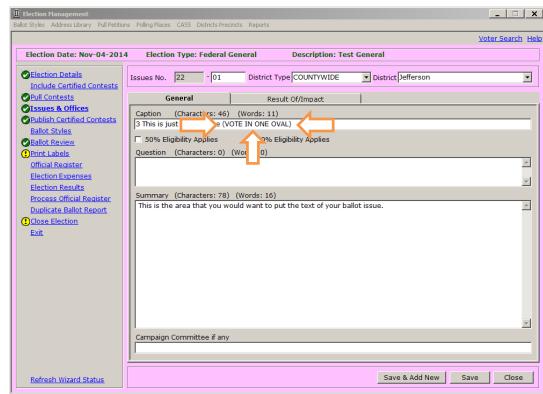
 The Title of the Ballot Issue



Issues & Offices – Caption Field Example

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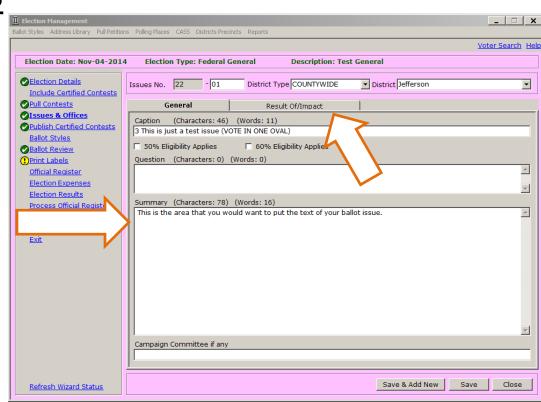
 The text (VOTE IN ONE OVAL) or similar language.



Issues & Offices –

Creating New Issues

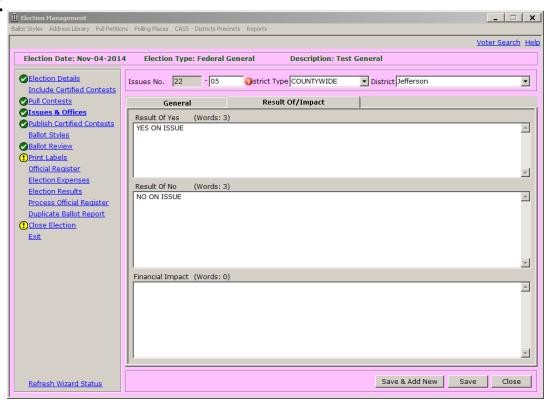
- Enter the question wording for the issue into the <u>Summary</u> field.
- Click on the <u>Result</u> of/Impact tab.



Issues & Offices –

Creating New Issues

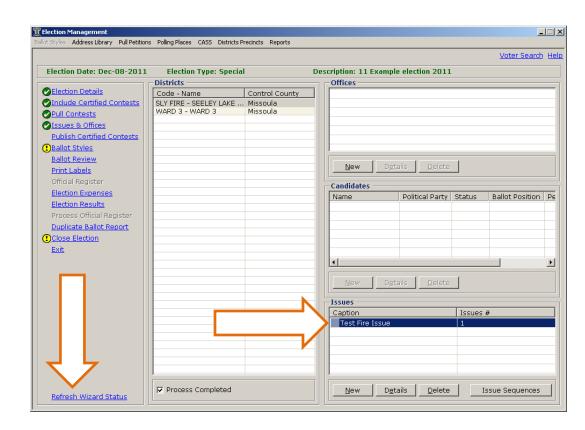
- In the **Result of Yes** enter the For text.
- In the Result of No enter the Against text.
- If you require text
 after the For/Against
 statement, you will
 enter it into the
 Financial Impact
 area.
- Click either Save or Save & New.



Issues & Offices –

Overview

- The new issue will show along with any other issues or contests you have added.
- Once you have finished adding all contests and issues check the <u>Process</u> <u>Completed</u> box.

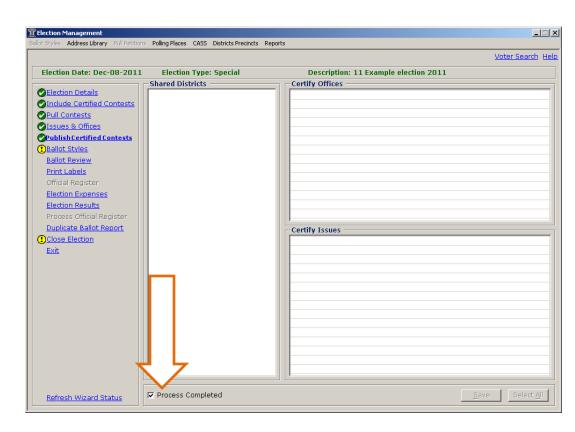


Refresh Wizard Status

Publish Certified Contests—

Overview

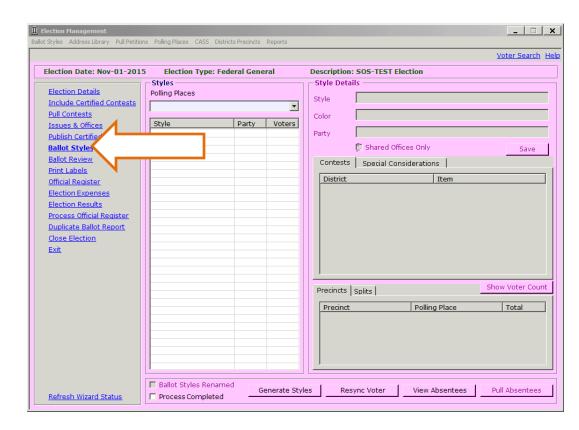
- The Publish Certified Contests screen allows you to share offices and issues you have entered with other counties that have shared districts.
- Check entries and click save to share them.
- Otherwise Check
 <u>Process Completed</u>



Refresh Wizard Status

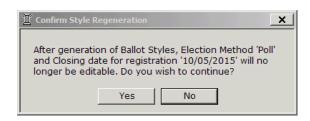
Generate Styles

- The next step to set up your election is to Generate Ballot Styles.
- You will need to
 <u>Refresh Wizard Status</u>
 if you have not been doing it after each prior step.

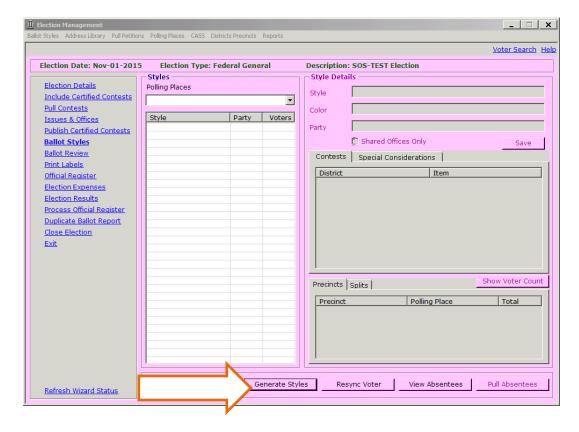


Generate Styles

- Click the Generate
 Styles button to generate ballot styles.
- The following message will display, warning you that your election details will no longer be modifiable if you continue.

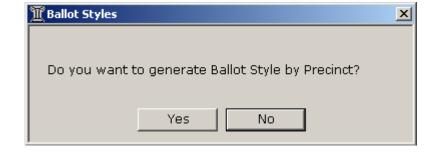


Click Yes when ready.



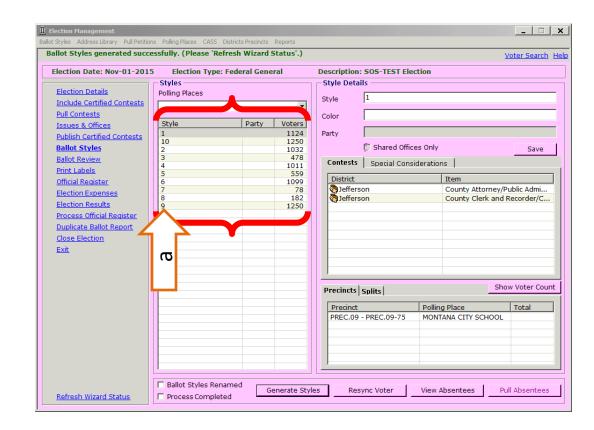
Generate Styles

- You will next be asked if you want to generate Ballot Styles by Precinct.
- If so click Yes.
- Clicking No will generate Ballot Style by DISTRICT.



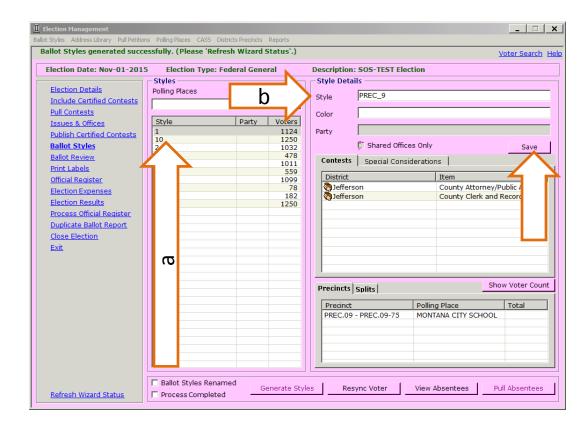
Generate Styles

- Newly generated
 Ballot Styles will be
 listed under styles.
- A confirmation message will display at the top of the screen.
- Ballot styles will generate with a system defaulted number for a name. (a)



Generate Styles

- Ballot Styles should be renamed so as to be more easily recognizable.
- Click on the Ballot
 Style you would like
 to rename and then
 enter a new name
 under Style Details
 (b).
- Click Save



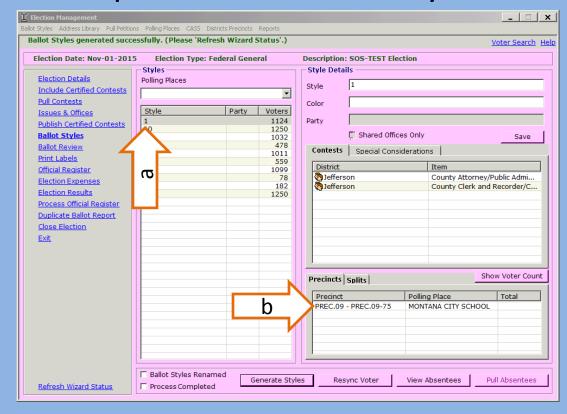
 Be sure to click Save after changing each style name or your modifications will be lost.

Helpful Hint- Ballot Name

If you are unsure what to name your ballot style, click on the **style** number (a) and check the **Precincts** box (b). This shows you what precinct the ballot style is

associated with.

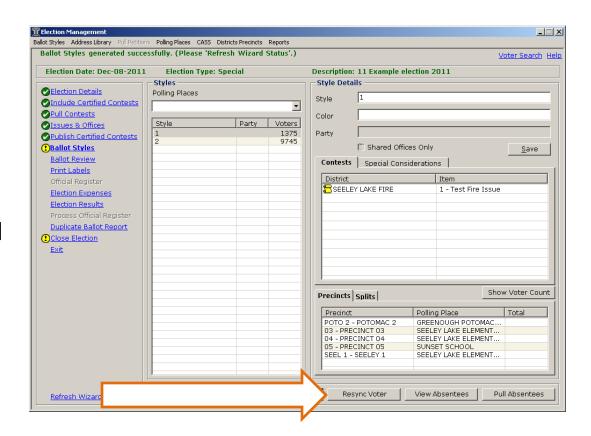
 If you need further clarification, look at the Contests box. This will show you what races are on the ballot style.



Resync Voter

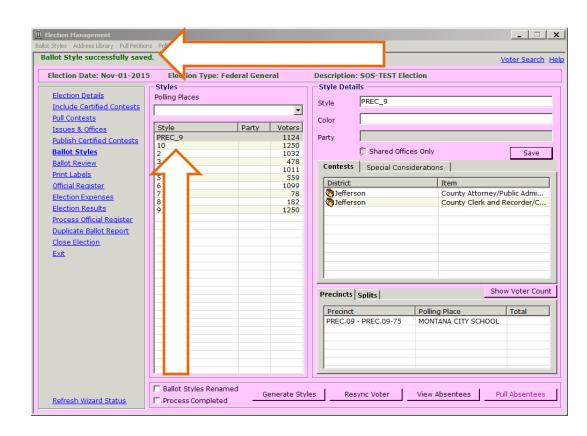
Once ballot styles have been generated MT Votes automatically re-syncs whenever new voters are registered to ensure all eligible voters are included in an election.

This process can be forced to run manually by clicking the **resync voter** button.



Generate Styles

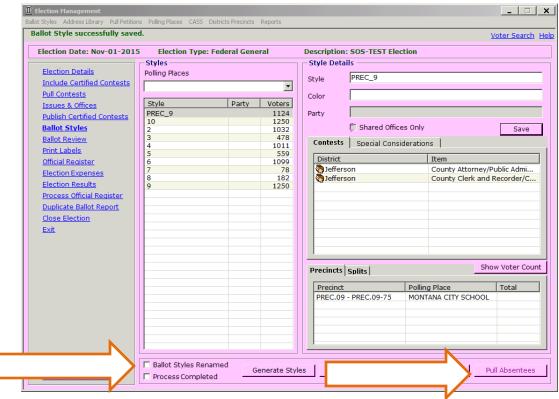
- A confirmation
 message will display
 after each ballot style
 name is changed.
- The re-named ballot styles will be listed under Style.
- Once a name has been used for a ballot style it cannot be applied to an alternative ballot style.



Pull Absentees

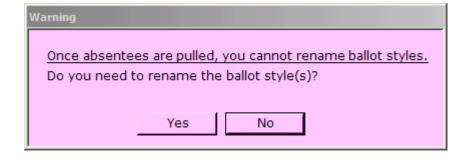
 This step should only be done when you are ready to start preparation of your absentee ballots. As soon as you pull absentees, these voters go into an Active/Prepared status.

ready, click **pull absentees.**The button will be grayed out, like it is in the example image, if you have not checked the box called **Ballot Styles Renamed.**



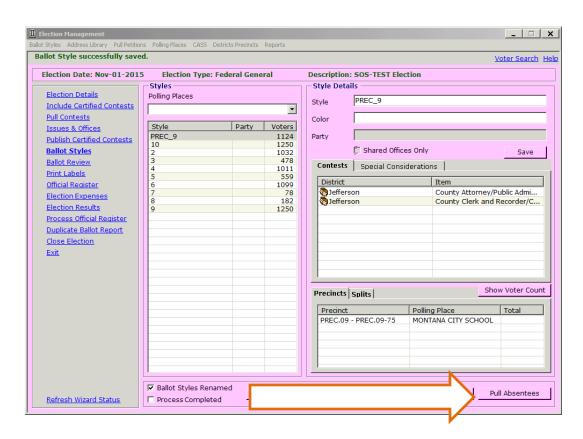
Pull Absentees

- When you click Pull
 Absentees you will be prompted with the following pop-up.
- Answering Yes to this question will bring you back to the rename ballot styles screen.
- Answering No will continue the pull process.



Pull Absentees

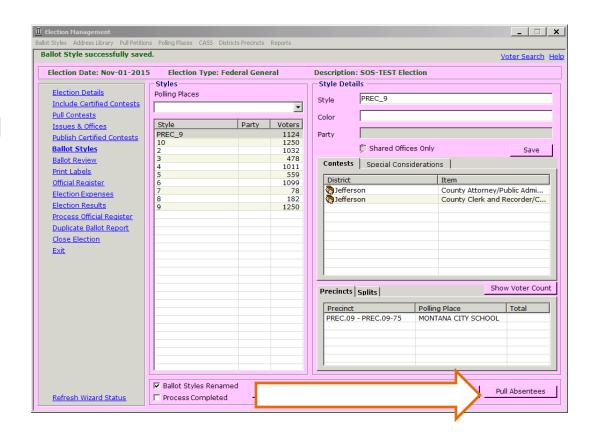
The Pull Absentees
 button will have
 different functionality
 depending on
 whether you are
 setting up a Poll or
 Vote-by-Mail Election.



Pull Absentees

Poll Election

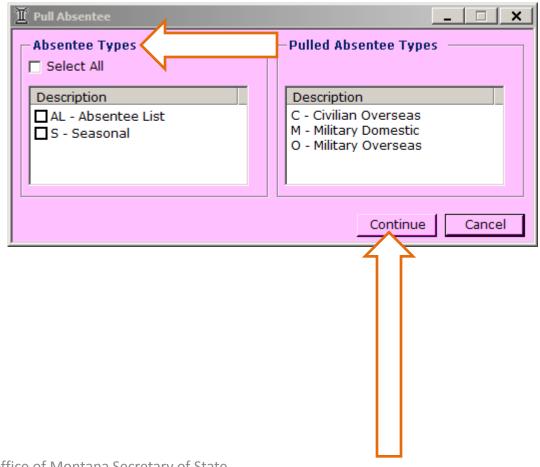
Clicking the Pull
 Absentees button will
 only pull voters with
 absentee requests on
 file and voters on the
 current absentee list.



Pull Absentees

Poll Election

- A dialogue box will come up, allowing you to specify which absentee types you would like to pull.
- Note: for federal elections, ALWAYS pull the 3 UOCAVA types first.
- The window on the right shows absentee types you have already pulled.
- Click Continue



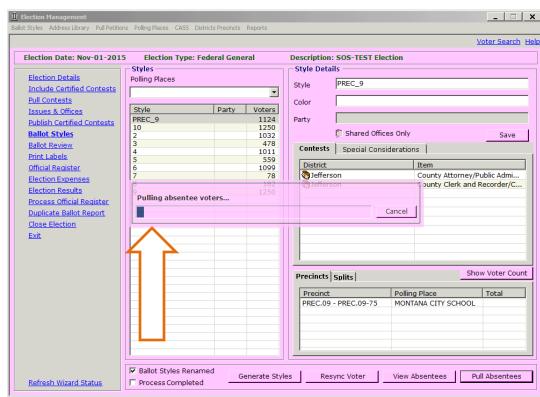
Pull Absentees

Poll Election

- Absentees will be pulled into the election.
- The following confirmation will display.



Check <u>Process</u>
 <u>Completed</u> if you have pulled in all your absentees.

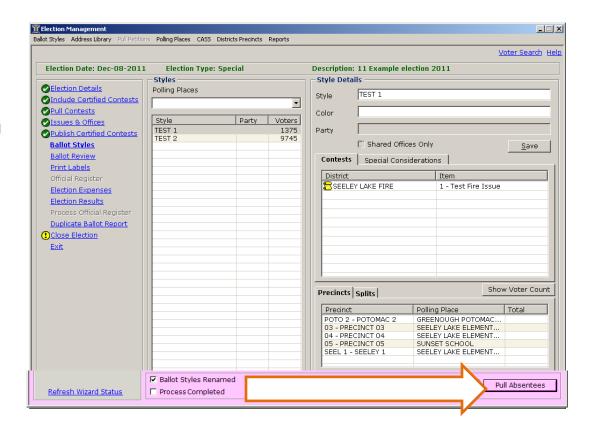


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Pull Absentees

Vote-By-Mail Election

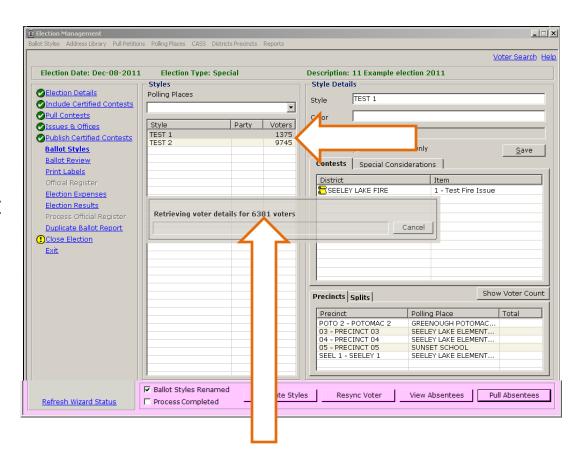
- Clicking the Pull
 Absentee button for a vote-by-mail election will pull in all Active voters.
- Inactive voters will not be pulled into the mail ballot election initially, but can reactivate and then be mailed a ballot.
- Click Pull Absentees



Pull Absentees

Vote-By-Mail Election

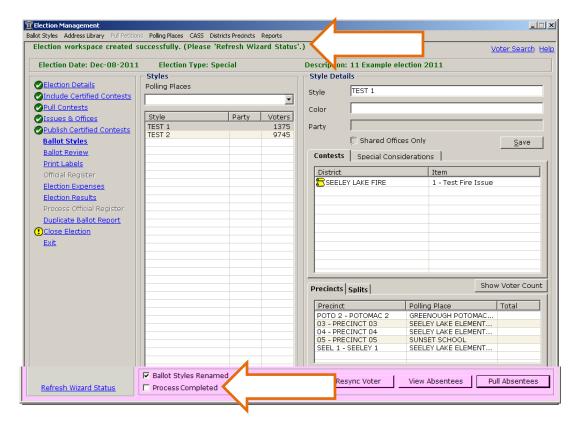
- Note that the Pulled Voter count does not match the totals indicated by the ballot styles.
- This is because the ballot styles include all active and inactive voters, whereas only active voters are pulled into a mail ballot election.



Pull Absentees

Vote-By-Mail Election

- A confirmation
 message will display
 at the top of the
 screen.
- Check <u>Process</u>
 <u>Completed.</u>

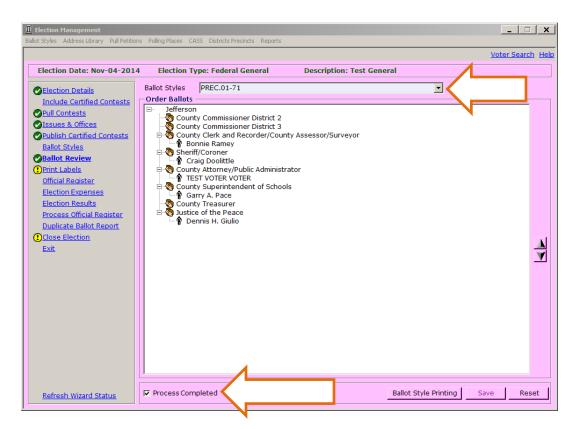


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Ballot Review –

Overview

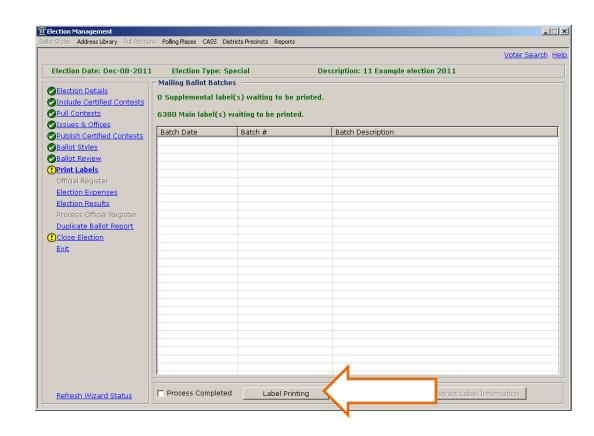
- The Ballot Review screen will list all issues and offices that have been set up in the election.
- Only Certified Candidates
 will be displayed. *make
 sure that you have changed the
 status if a candidate becomes
 ineligible so that they are not
 included on the ballot.
- You can select certain ballot styles to look at to ensure that each style contains the correct race.
- After reviewing this screen and each style, check <u>Process Completed.</u>



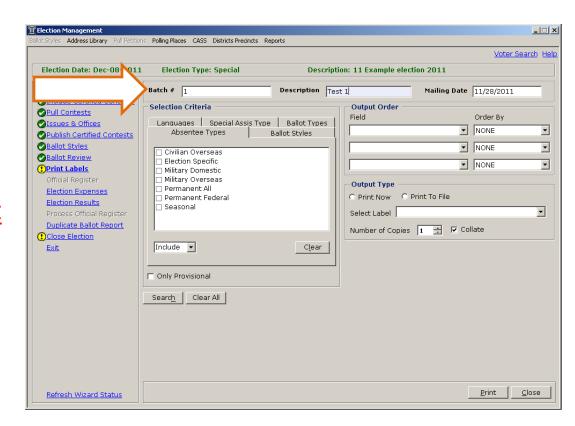
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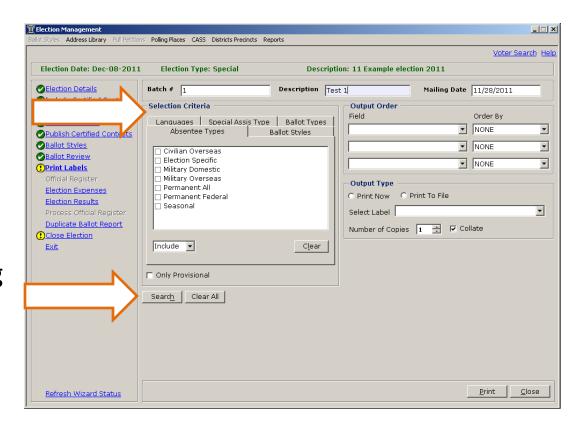
- The Print Labels screen functions the same for both Poll and Vote by Mail elections.
- Click **Label Printing** to begin.



- Enter a Batch # and Description.
- The mailing date must be changed to the date you will actually be mailing the ballots.
 - It will default to the system date, but it must be changed to the actual mailing date so that the My Voter Page service reflects the correct mailing date.

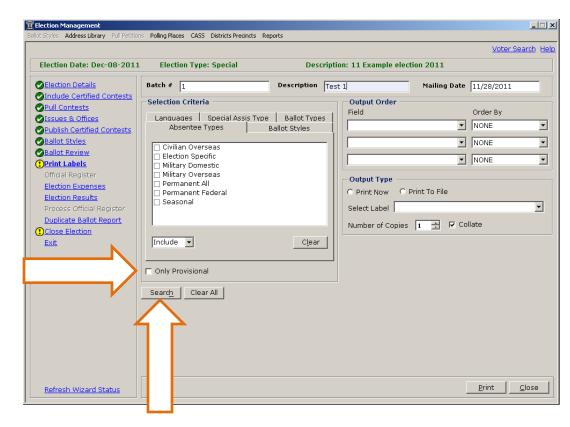


- Under Selection
 Criteria you can
 choose which label
 types to include in
 your batch.
- Not selecting anything will include all labels in the batch.
- The Search button will tell you how many labels will be printed.



Only Provisional

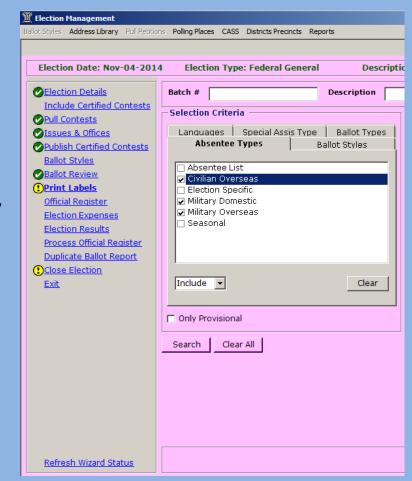
- It is also recommended that after you pull absentees you always do a search for Only Provisionals. Provisionally registered voters must be sent a form notifying the elector of the identification required.
- If the results come back greater than zero, create a batch of labels for these voters as they will need a provisional registered notification.



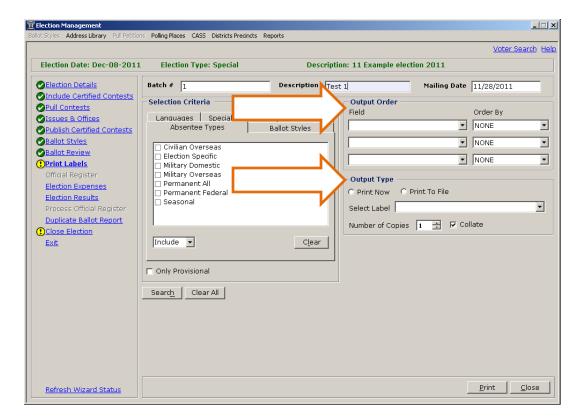
Print Labels- Helpful Hint

UOCAVA Labels

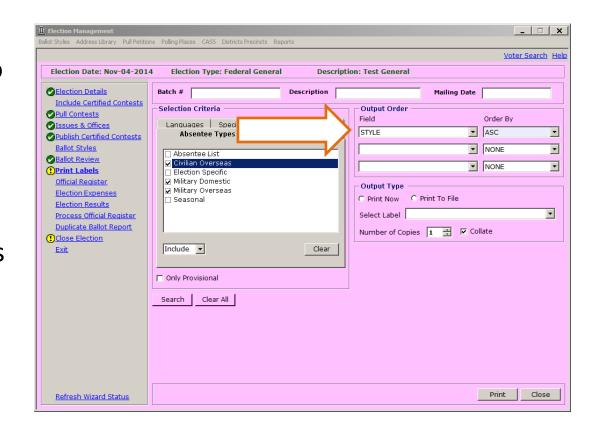
It is recommended that when you print UOCAVA labels, that you select the three UOCAVA absentee types. Otherwise, any Election Specific absentees you have already entered will be automatically included in the labels.



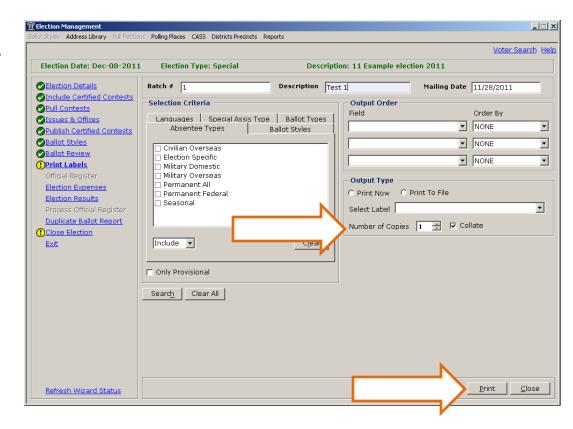
- Under Output Order you can specify what sort order you would like your labels to have.
- Output Type allows you to specify Print Now or to Print to File, and which label type you would like to use.



- Pay close attention to Output Order. Once you have printed the labels, there is no going back.
- If you have numerous ballot styles within a precinct, you will likely want to select your first sort option by "Style".

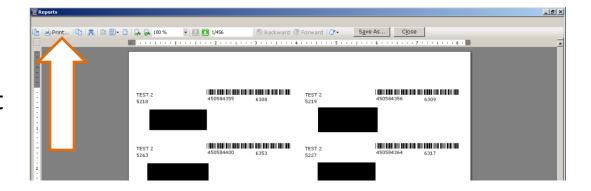


- Specify the number of copies you would like once you have entered Output Order and Type, and you have chosen the label type.
- Click Print



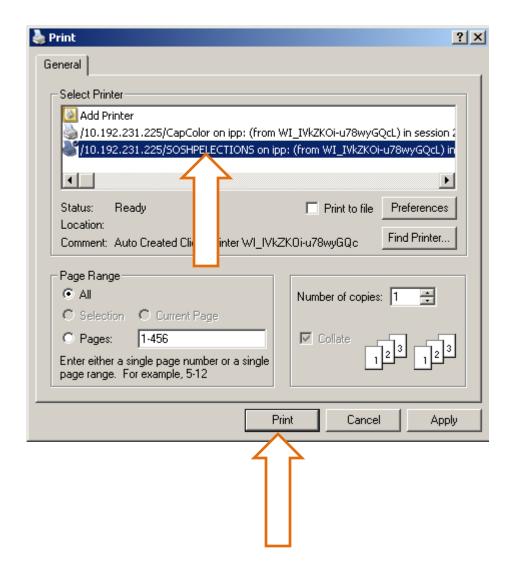
Label Printing

- A report will generate containing your labels.
- Verify that the correct label type was chosen.



Click Print

- Choose the printer you would like to print to.
- Click Print



Label Printing

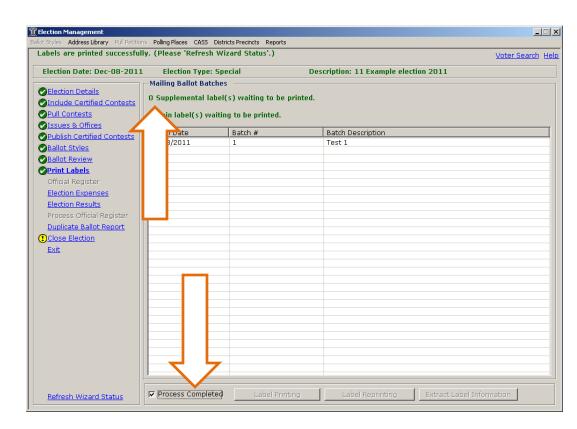
 Once the labels have printed click Close.



Print Labels—

Overview

- If additional voters
 are registered after
 printing labels they
 will show up as
 Supplemental labels
 waiting to be printed.
- Once all labels have been printed and you will have no more check Process Completed.



Refresh Wizard Status

Inactive Electors in a Vote by Mail election—

Overview

If an inactive elector requests a ballot, or mails in or brings in a voter registration card (or other document listing the elector's current residence address) **before** the ballots are mailed, change their status to "Active" and send the person a ballot along with the rest of the mail ballots.

Inactive Electors in a Vote by Mail election—

Overview

If an inactive elector requests a ballot, or mails in, or brings in a voter registration card (or other document listing the elector's current residence address) after the day on which you mailed your ballots, change their status to "Active" and provide them with a ballot in person or by mail.

You do not need to have them fill out a Replacement/Late Ballot Request since they, by following 13-2-222, MCA, are activating their registration and are therefore automatically eligible for a ballot.

Inactive Electors in a Vote by Mail election—

Overview

AFTER Activating the elector -

- The system will ask if you want to resync.
 Select Yes.
- In Election Management/Print Labels, the label for this voter will be waiting for you to print.

Late and Late Transfer Registrants in a Vote by Mail election

 By law, a late or late transfer registrant must come into your office if the individual wishes to register after the close of regular registration.

Late and Late Transfer Registrants in a Vote by Mail election: BEFORE Ballot Mailing

• If a late registrant comes in to register before the ballots are mailed, register them in the system and follow the procedures in 13-19-303, MCA.

Final Steps for Handling Late and Transfer Registrants in a Vote by Mail election

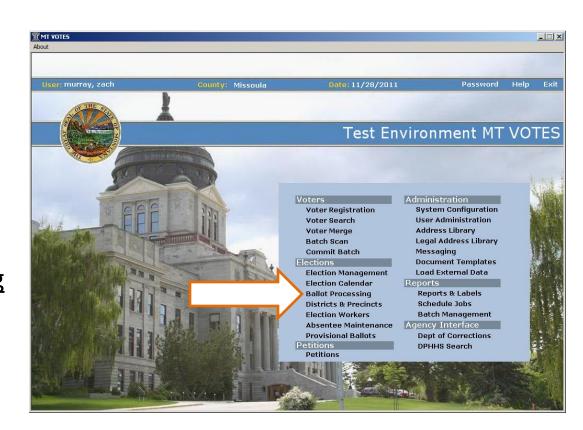
- After late or transfer registration has been entered, system will ask if you want to resync. Select yes.
- Then go to Print Labels in Election Management, and the system will display how many labels will be waiting to be printed for this election.

Do not extend address ranges after you have printed labels. New ballots will be prepared for all electors in that address range if you do!

If you have a new address create a **NEW** address range for that one address until election is closed.

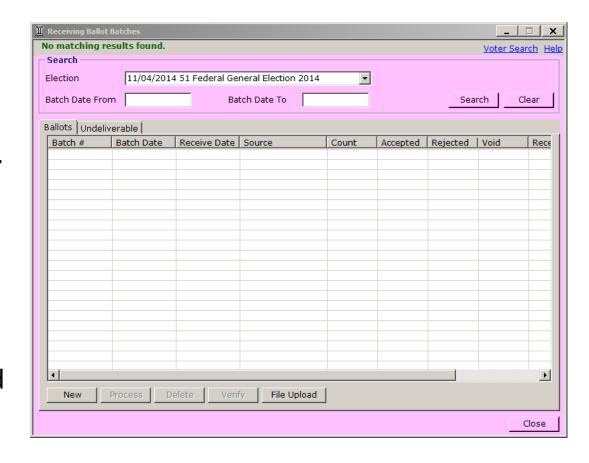
Overview

- The Ballot Processing screen will allow you to process Absentee and Vote-By-Mail ballots.
- Click <u>Ballot Processing</u> to begin.



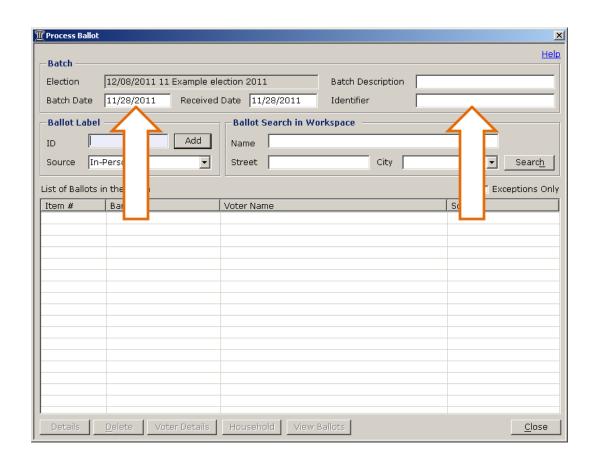
Receiving Ballot Batches

- From this screen you will be able to see batches for received ballots and Undeliverable ballots.
- You can create new batches in either the Ballots tab or the Undeliverable tab.
- You also have the option to Process and Delete batches.
- Click New to start.



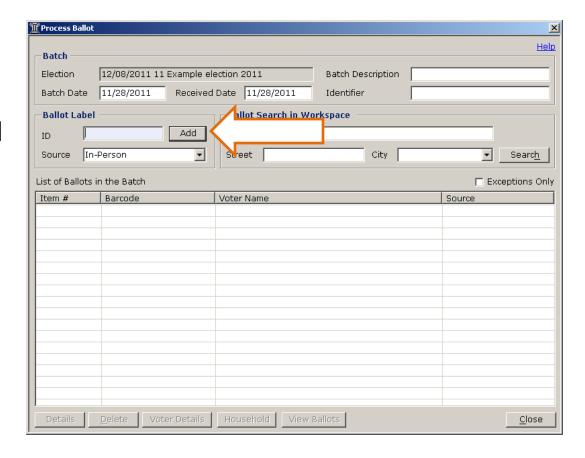
Overview

- Ensure the correct
 <u>Batch and Received</u>
 <u>Dates</u> are showing.
- Enter in a <u>Batch</u>
 <u>Description</u> and Identifier.



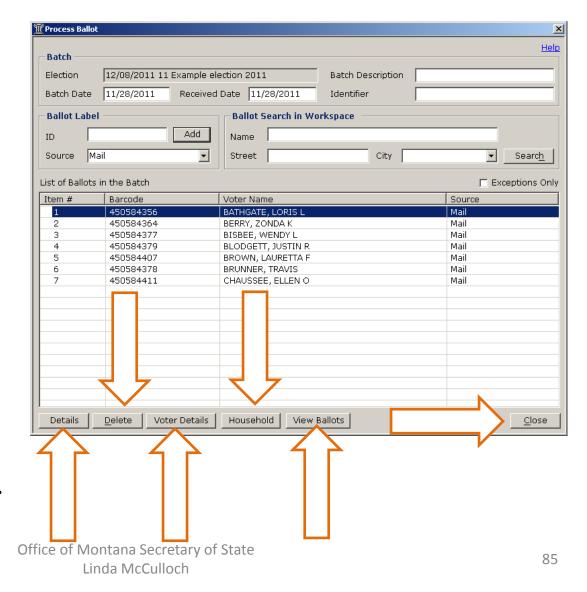
Creating a Ballot Batch

- Change the Ballot
 Label source to the
 source of the received
 ballots.
- Click in the ID Field.
- Scan Barcodes or Manually enter each Ballot ID and click Add.



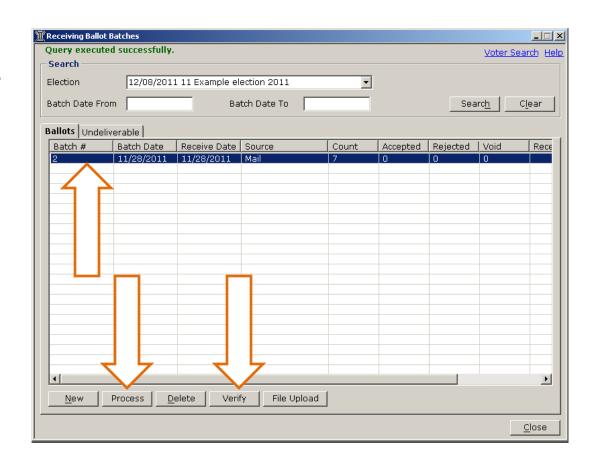
Process Ballots

- Once all ballots have been entered select an entry to:
 - View Ballot Details
 - Delete
 - View Voter Details
 - View Household Info
 - View Active Ballots
- Click Close when you have finished examining each entry.



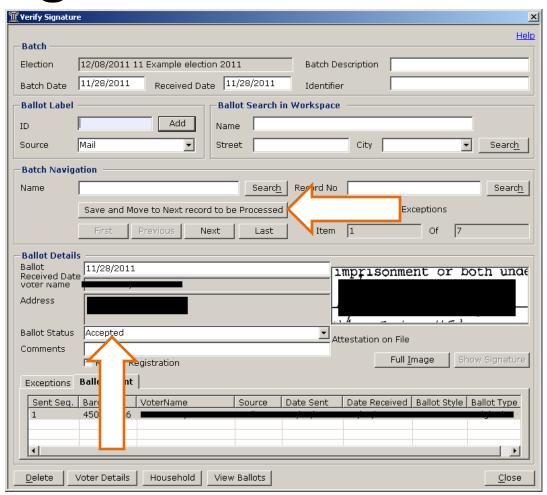
Verify Ballots

- The new batch will be displayed.
- Click process to add additional ballots to the batch.
- When ready highlight the desired batch and Click **Verify** to continue.



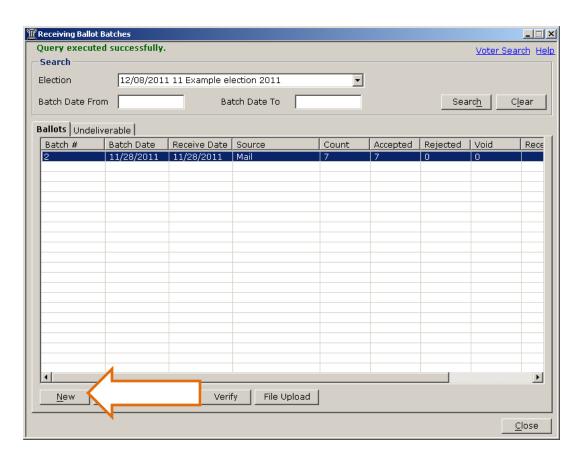
Verify Ballots

- Verify the displayed signature and enter a Ballot Status.
- Click <u>Save and Move</u>
 <u>to Next Record to be</u>
 <u>Processed</u> to
 continue.
- Repeat this process until you have verified all signatures.



Overview

- The completed batch will now be listed with no unprocessed ballots.
- Repeat the previous steps to process additional ballot batches.

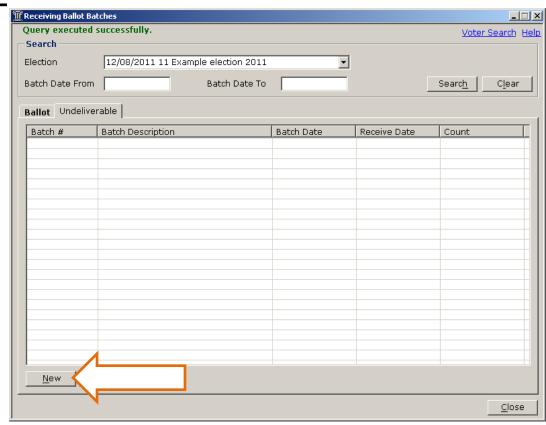


Undeliverable Ballots

 Montana mail ballot law requires notifying the elector whose ballot was returned as undeliverable by sending an NVRA notice which can be forwarded, with prepaid postage. See 13-19-313 (4), MCA.

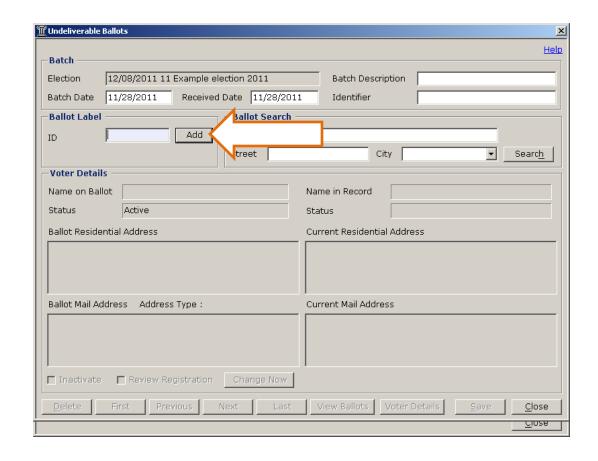
Undeliverable Ballots

 Click New to create a new batch of undeliverable ballots.



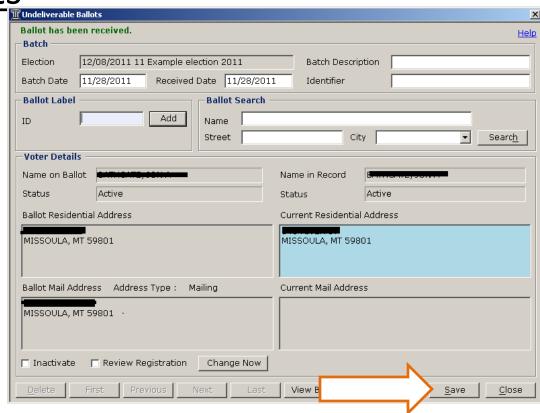
Undeliverable Ballots

Click in the <u>ID field</u> and either <u>scan a</u>
 <u>ballots barcode</u> or manually enter the <u>ballot ID</u> and click
 <u>Add.</u>



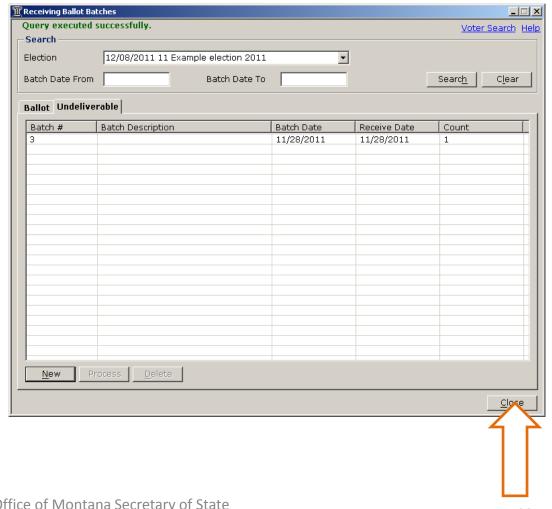
Undeliverable Ballots

- The Voter Details will display.
- Review displayed information.
- Click Save to store the undeliverable ballot record.



Undeliverable Ballots

- The new undeliverable ballot batch will be displayed.
- Follow the previous steps to add in additional undeliverable ballots.
- Close Ballot
 Processing when finished.



Releasing Undeliverable Ballots

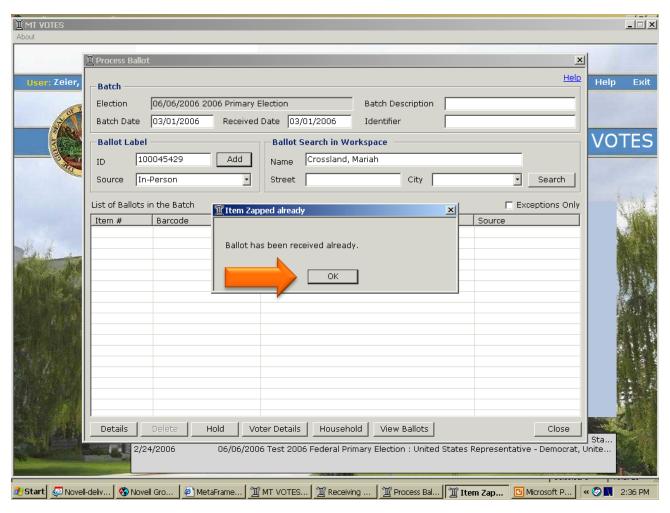
 Sometimes a ballot comes back undeliverable and the voter subsequently shows up in the office.

 The ballot must be released from the undeliverable batch, and provided to the voter.

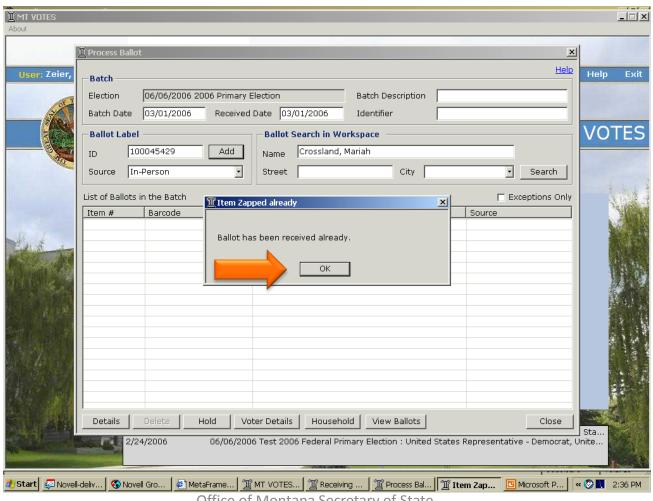
Click Ballot Processing



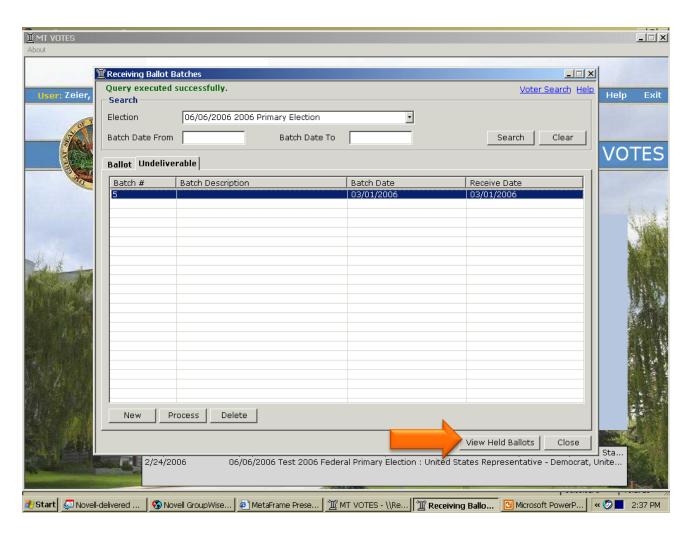
You will receive this message: Ballot has been received already



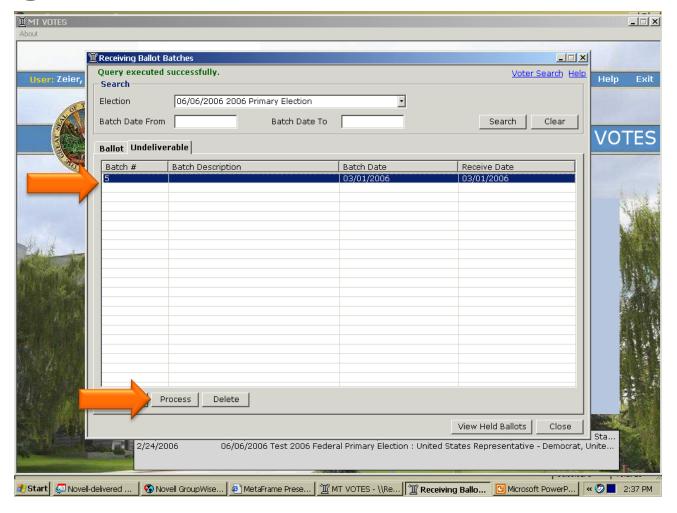
Click OK and you will be taken to the Receiving Ballot Batches screen



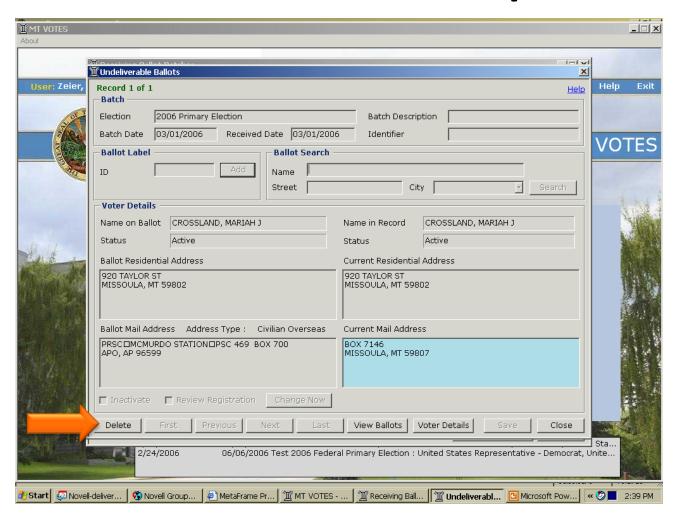
Click on View Held Ballots



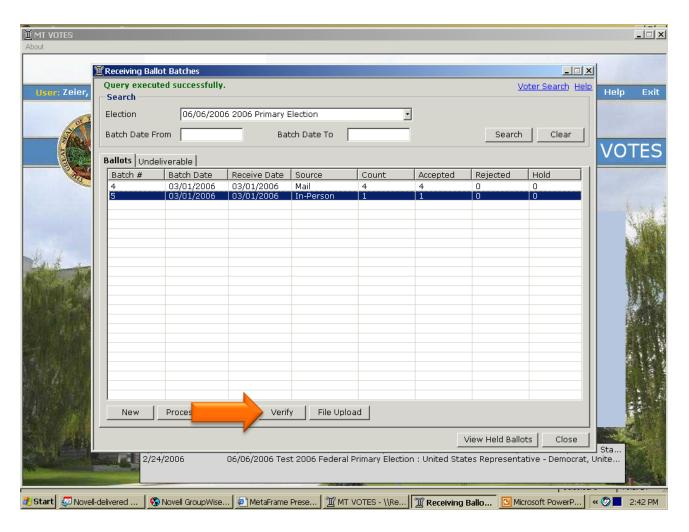
Highlight the batch and click Process



Delete the voter from the Undeliverable Ballots so the ballot can be processed



Verify and save. Then the ballot will be listed as Accepted



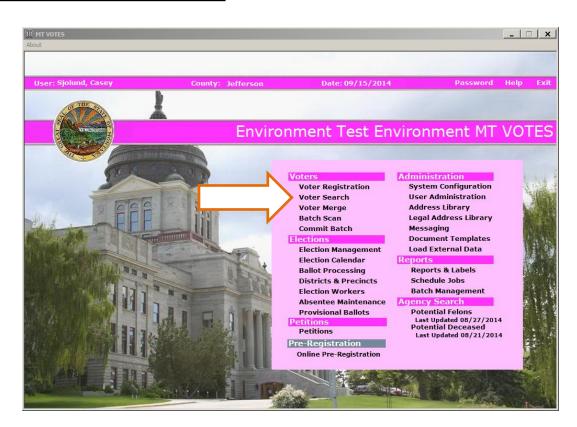
Resending Undeliverable Ballots

MT Votes now allows you easily **Resend** undeliverable ballots to a new address if the voter notifies you of an alternative address to send a ballot to.

The next series of slides show how to **Resend** an Undeliverable Ballot.

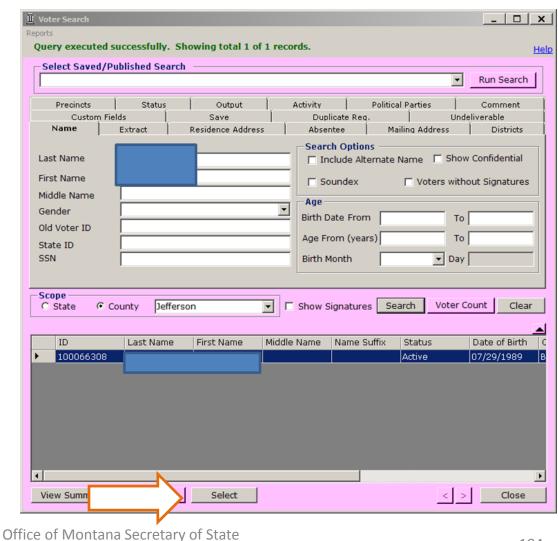
Resending Undeliverable Ballots

To **resend** an undeliverable ballot pull up the voter through voter search.



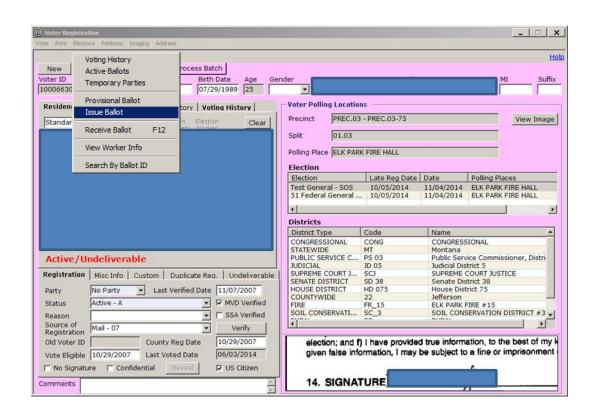
Resending Undeliverable Ballots

Search for the voter, once found hit **Select**.



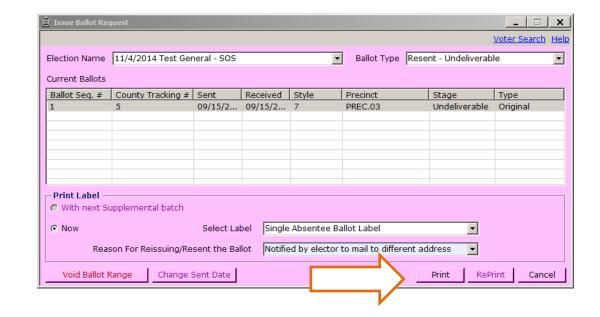
Resending Undeliverable Ballots

Go to **Elections** > **Issue Ballot**



Resending Undeliverable Ballots

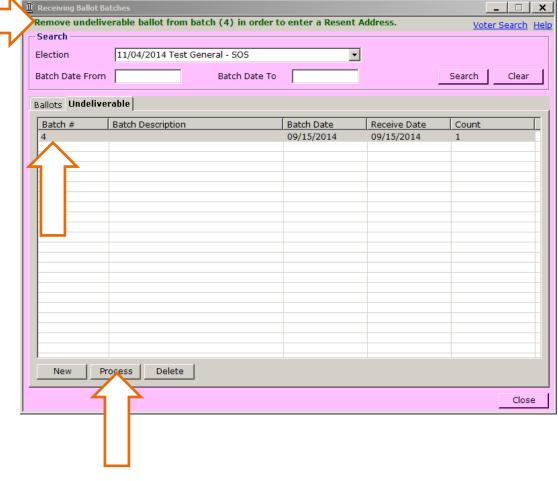
- Drop down the Election name.
- Select Resent –
 Undeliverable as ballot type.
- Choose a label and a reason.
- Select Print.



Resending Undeliverable Ballots

You will be prompted to remove the undeliverable ballot from the batch and brought back to the Ballot Processing Module.

 Select the batch and click **Process**

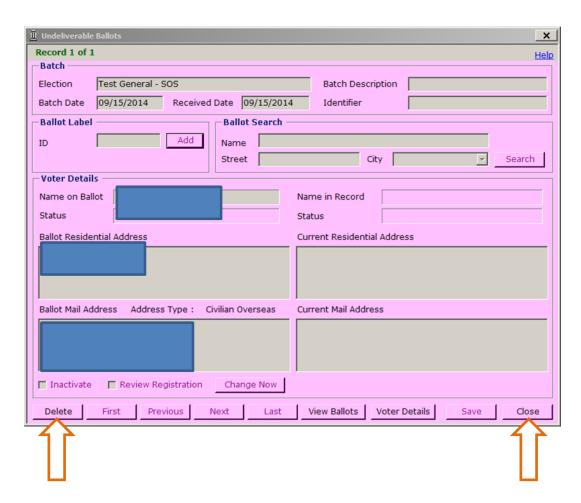


Resending Undeliverable Ballots

Pull up the record of the voter and click **Delete**.

You will get a prompt confirming that you want to remove the ballot from the batch. Select Yes.

Select Close.

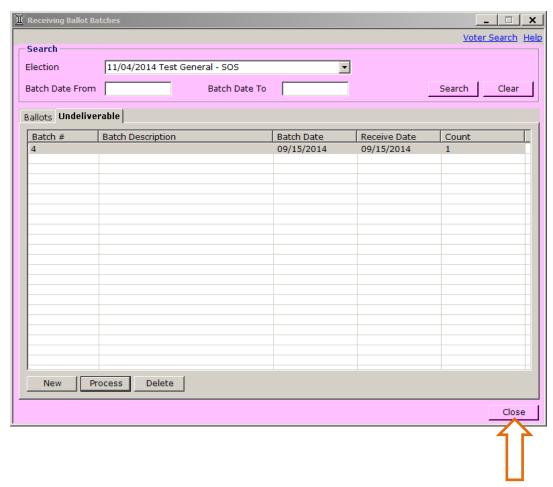


Ballot Processing—

Resending Undeliverable Ballots

You will be brought back to the Ballot Processing Module.

Select Close.



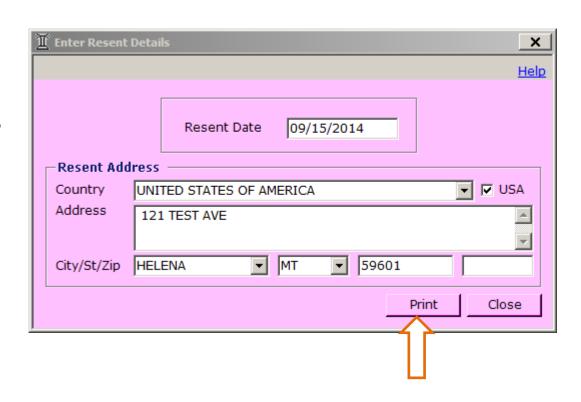
Processing Ballots –

Resending Undeliverable Ballots

You will be brought back to the **Issue Ballot** screen where you will be able to enter Resent Information.

Select **Print** and a new label will be printed with the **Resent** address.

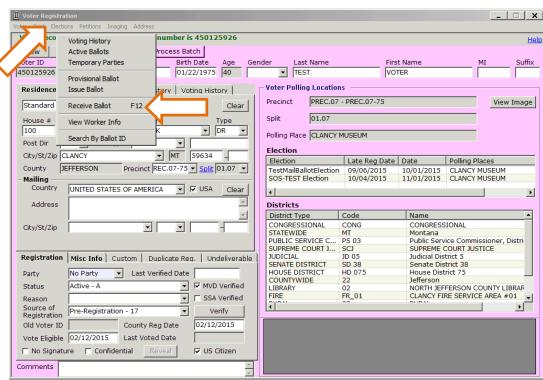
Once printed the voter will now have an **Active/Sent** status.



Ballot Processing—

Through the Voters Record (Alternative to Ballot Processing Module)

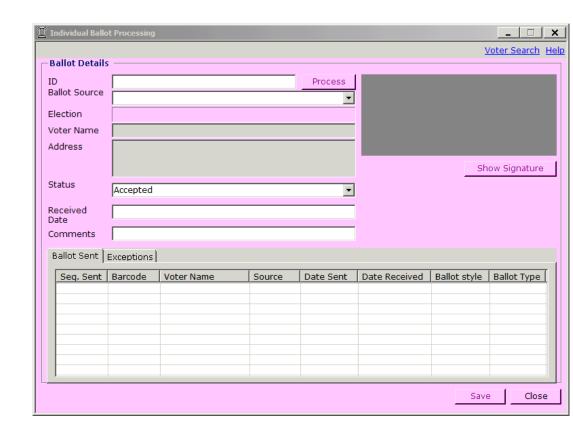
From within a voter record, select **Receive Ballot** from the **Elections Menus.**



Processing Ballots -

Through the Voters Record

- Enter the ID#.
- Click Process.
- Verify the Name,
 Signature and
 Address.
- You can either:
 - Accept
 - Reject (many reasons), or;
 - Void
- Click Save or Close.

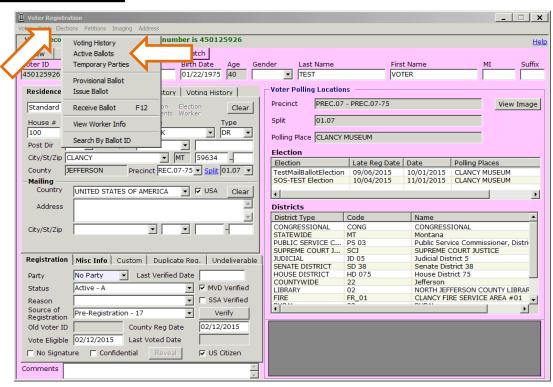


Ballot Processing—

Through the Voters Record

You can also now receive ballots through the **Active Ballots** section.

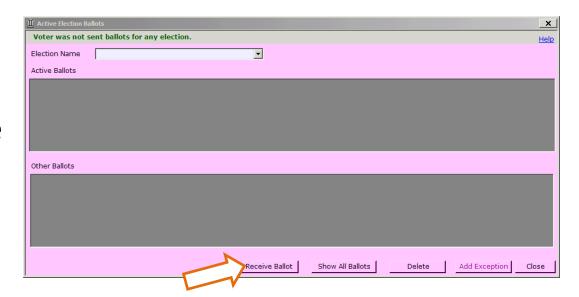
From within a voter record, select **Active Ballots** from the **Elections Menus**.



Processing Ballots -

Through the Voters Record

You can click the Receive ballot button to receive the ballot from this screen.



Election Management– Available reports

BP-011: Ballot Batches Receiving

BP-012: Voter Listing By Ballot Style

BP-013: Undeliverable Ballots

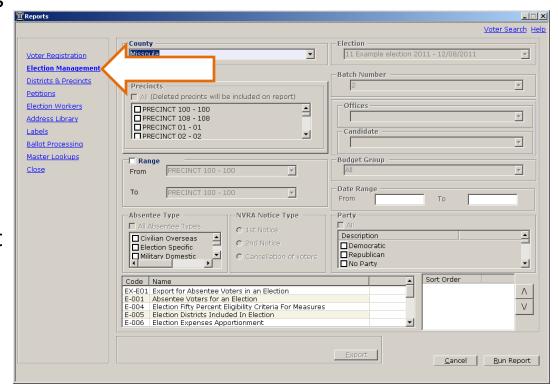
BP-020: Duplicate Ballots Report

BP-034: Returned Ballots in

Date Range

EX-BP1: Voter Master Listing by

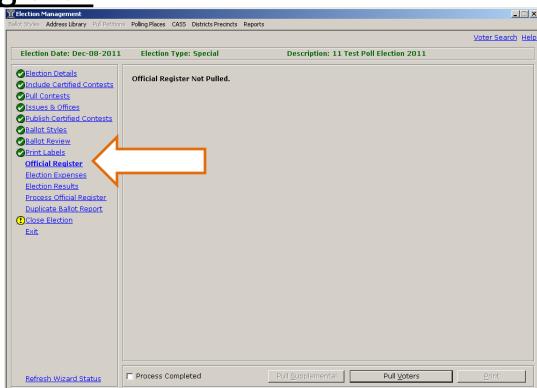
Election



Official Register-

Generate Official Register

- The <u>Official Register</u> is only available for Poll elections.
- Click **Pull Voters** to begin.

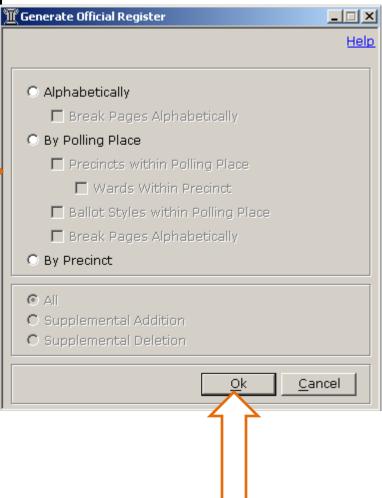


Official Register—

Generate Official Register

 The <u>Generate Official</u> <u>Register</u> screen will appear.

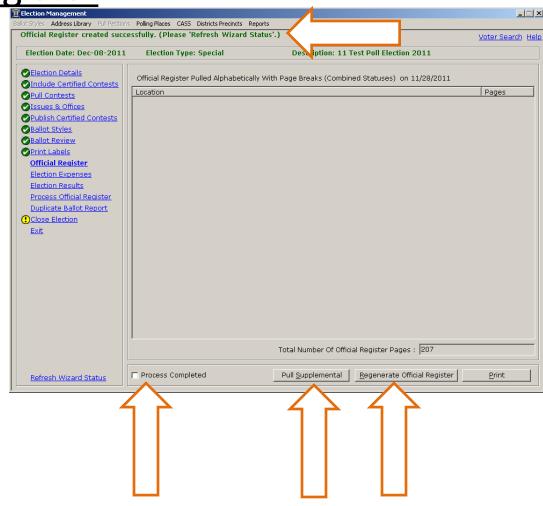
 Choose which sort order options you would like and click
 OK.



Official Register-

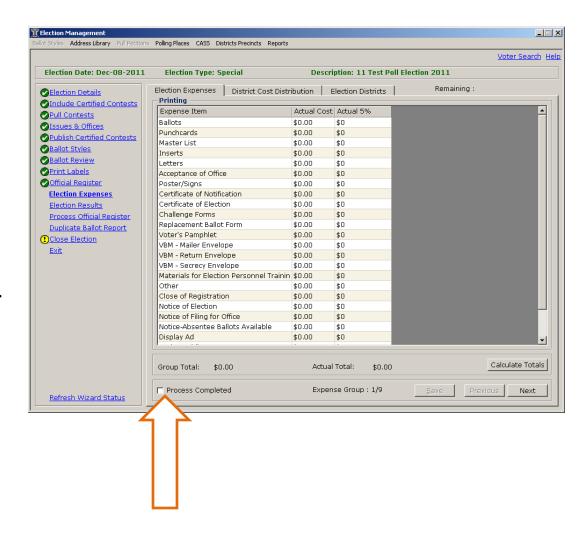
Generate Official Register

- A confirmation message will display.
- The register can be regenerated or you can pull a supplemental register by clicking the buttons at the bottom of the screen.
- Once the register has been printed check
 Process Completed.



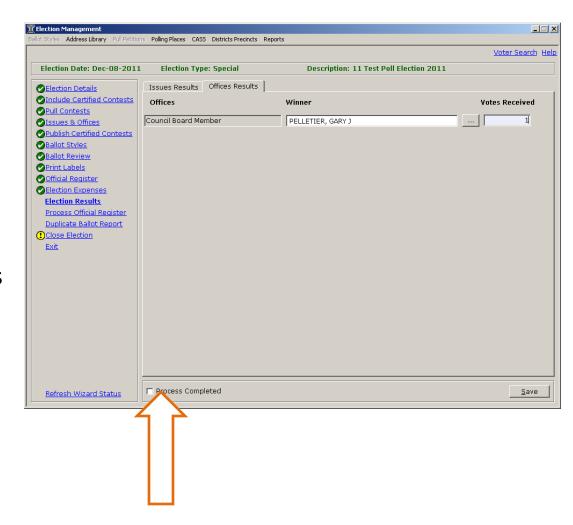
Election Expenses–

- The Election Expense screen can be used to track expenses for your election.
- This screen is not required to close your election.
- Click <u>Process</u>
 <u>Completed</u> when you are finished with this screen.

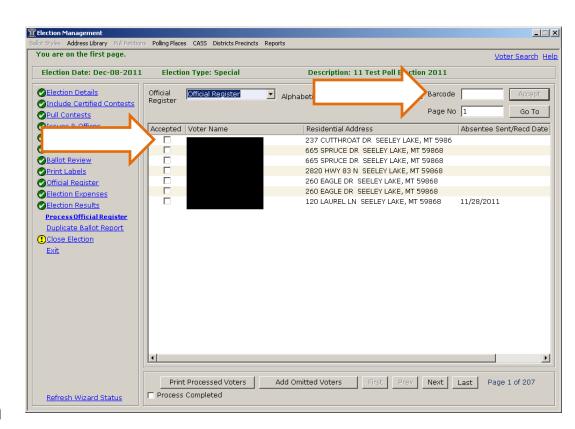


Election Results—

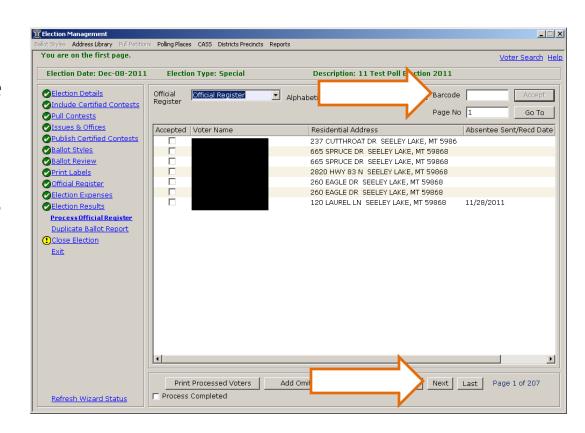
- Election results can be manually entered into this screen.
- Using this screen will store this information in MT Votes for future reference, including bringing over candidates from the Primary to the General.
- This screen is not required to close your election.
- Click process complete once results have been entered.



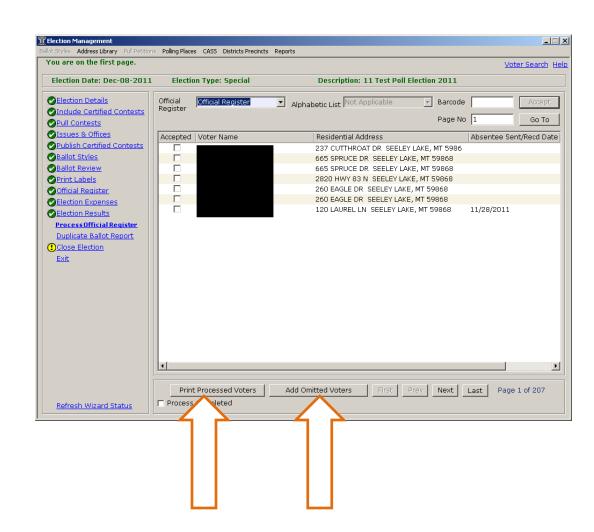
- Accepted ballots can be indicated manually by checking the box next to each voter's name.
- To use the barcode scanner click in the barcode field and scan the corresponding barcode for a voter on that page.



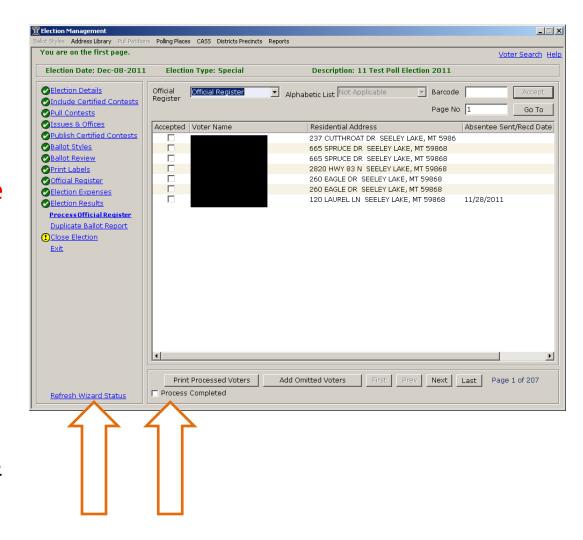
- You can only scan barcodes for the page you are on.
- Click next to go to the next page and begin scanning barcodes again.



- Once you have finished processing the official register you can print a list of processed voters.
- Clicking <u>Add Omitted</u>
 <u>Voters</u> will allow you
 to add in voters
 missing from the
 official register.

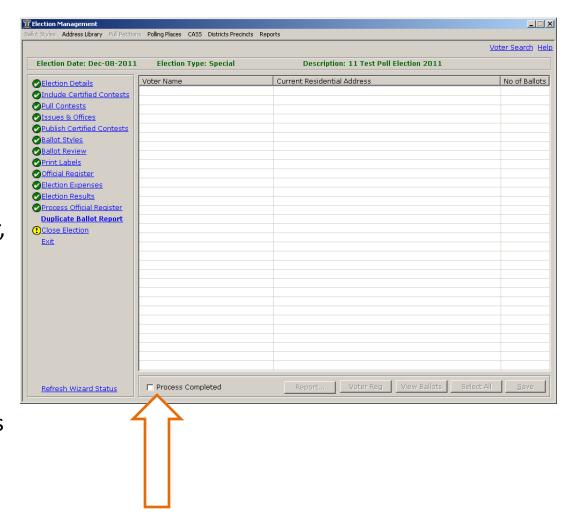


- Carefully verify that all voters have been processed correctly before finishing this process – marking the wrong voter is common and causes problems.
- Check <u>Process</u>
 <u>Completed</u>.
- Refresh Wizard Status



Duplicate Ballot Report-

- This screen will list any voters that have received an additional ballot for any reason.
- The duplicate ballot report
 will help you ensure that
 through administrative error,
 no one was allowed to vote
 at the polls who also voted
 an absentee ballot.
- This includes re-issued or replacement ballots.
- Once you have reviewed this screen check <u>Process</u>
 <u>Completed.</u>



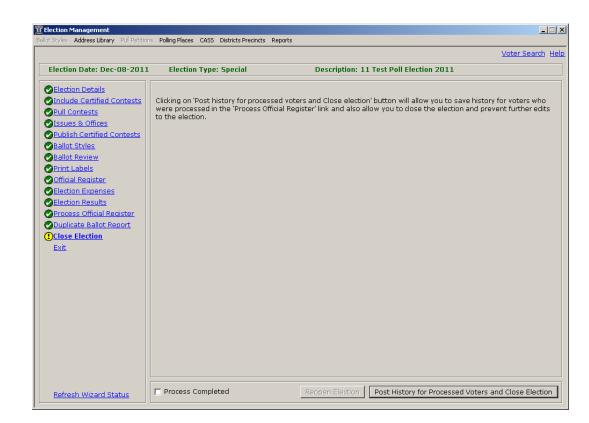
Requirements to Close an Election

An election can only be closed once the following has been done:

- All ballot labels have been printed
- Mail and/or Absentee Ballots have been processed
- Provisional Ballots have been processed
- The Official Register has been processed

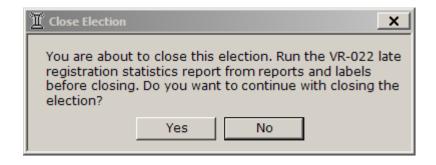
Close Election—

- This screen will allow you to close an open election or re-open a closed election.
- Click the Post History for Processed Voters and Close Election to continue.

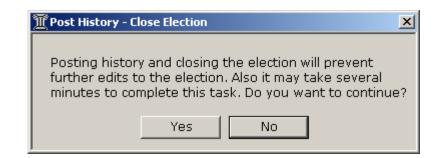


Close Election—

- A reminder message
 will come up
 prompting you to run
 the VR-022 report
 and review the
 Duplicate Ballot
 Report if you have not
 done so.
- You will be asked to confirm that you would like to close the election.
- Click Yes.

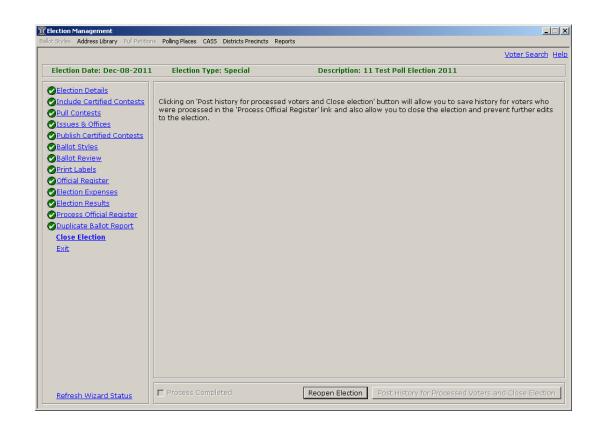






Close Election—

- The election is now closed and any late registrants will automatically change to **Active** status.
- To re-open the election click Reopen Election.
- Be sure to re-close the election as soon as you have made any changes.



As always, please feel free to contact the Help Desk at 1-866-541-6767.

